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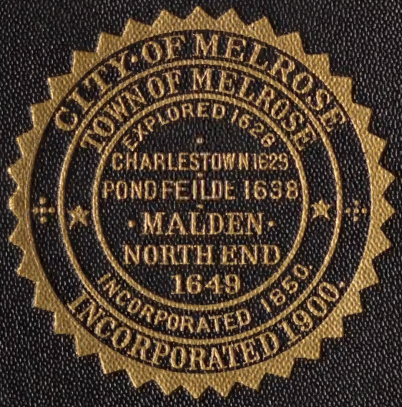

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GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF MELROSE

MAYOR

LAWRENCE W. LLOYD
169 Laurel Street

President of the Board of Aldermen

JOHN A. LAVENDER, JR.
45 East Foster Street

City Clerk

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW
5 Taylor Street

Aldermen-at-Large

Walter W. Bruce, 260 W. Wyoming Avenue
Allen B. Copeland, 69 East Street
Robert S. Love, 15 Sewall Woods Road
Paul S. Vaitses, Jr., 97 Larchmont Road

Ward Aldermen

1. Frank B. McLaughlin, 15 Stevens Road
2. J. Henry Otis, 37 Lovell Road
3. John F. O'Neil, 271 West Wyoming Avenue
4. Raymond E. Campbell, 75 Sheffield Road
5. Richard H. McIntosh, 86 Derby Road
6. John A. Lavender, Jr., 45 E. Foster Street
7. Philip L. Wadland, 97 Whitman Avenue

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MELROSE, MASS.

STANDING COMMITTEES
of the
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
1958

Appropriations

Alderman J. Henry Otis, Chairman
Alderman Philip L. Wadland, Vice-Chr.
Alderman Raymond E. Campbell, Vice-Chr.
Aldermen Copeland, Love, McLaughlin, McIntosh, Bruce, Vaitses and O'Neil

Finance

Alderman Raymond E. Campbell, Chr.
Aldermen Otis, Copeland, Bruce, O'Neil

Highways

Alderman Walter W. Bruce, Chairman
Aldermen Copeland, O'Neil, Otis, Campbell

Legal and Legislative Matters

Alderman Allen B. Copeland, Chairman
Aldermen Campbell, Bruce, Otis, O'Neil

Education, Health and Public Welfare

Alderman Robert S. Love, Chairman
Aldermen Wadland, Vaitses, McIntosh and McLaughlin

Protection and License

Alderman Richard H. McIntosh, Chairman
Aldermen Love, McLaughlin, Wadland and Vaitses

Public Service

Alderman Frank B. McLaughlin, Chairman
Aldermen Vaitses, Love, McIntosh and Wadland

Clerk of Committees

Stanley G. Bunker 275 Upham Street

CITY OFFICERS AND OFFICE HOURS

Acting under the authority of Section one hundred and ten A of Chapter forty-one of the General Laws, inserted therein by Chapter two hundred and sixty-five of the Acts of nineteen hundred and forty-seven, the offices hereinafter named shall be open to the public for the transaction of business from 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. daily, except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

The offices of the city clerk, city collector, engineer and superintendent of public works, board of assessors, board of health, board of public welfare, city treasurer, city auditor, building commissioner and veterans' services.

Except during the months of July and August and on legal holidays, the aforesaid offices shall be open on the first and third Mondays of every month from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. and on all other Monday evenings from 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. (Revised Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 2-3.)

CITY OFFICERS

BOARD OF APPEAL

W. Jarvis Lowe, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Melvin R. Jenney	Term expires 1962
S. Francis Kimberley	Term expires 1961
Leo Moulaison	Term expires 1961
E. Franklin Reed	Term expires 1959

Edwin H. King, Clerk

ASSESSORS

Henry L. Restall, Chairman	Term expires 1959
Lewis C. Hennigar	Term expires 1961
Norman D. MacDonald	Term expires 1960

Lawrence E. Lovejoy, Executive Secretary
and Director of Assessments

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Commissioner

Francis A. Zins

Plumbing and Gas Inspector

Everett G. Dow

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

William J. McClintock, Chairman

Joseph Casey — Arthur D. King

Howard O. Milton, Superintendent

CITY AUDITOR

Arthur M. Goddard

CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT

City Clerk

Raymond H. Greenlaw

Assistant City Clerk

E. Maude Brown

CITY PHYSICIAN

Vacant

CITY SOLICITOR

A. Van Allen Thomason

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

S. Homer Buttrick

CIVIL DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

Robert R. Wilson, Director

CONSTABLES

Robert A. Lloyd — George D. MacWilliams

Guy A. Storer

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

Arthur M. Goddard, Chairman	Statutory
Robert L. Hutchinson	Term expires 1961
Walter Jones	Term expires 1959

DOG OFFICER

Dr. Sely A. Kay

ENGINEER AND SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Glen S. Weeks

FENCE VIEWERS

Clyde O. Bailey — Robert R. Wilson

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief

Sidney C. Field

Deputy Chief

Office Vacant

Fire Warden

Sidney C. Field

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health

Dr. Oakley R. Jones, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Lawrence E. Simpson	Term expires 1961
Paul E. Troy	Term expires 1959

Helen F. Adams, Agent

Sanitary Inspector

John J. Devine

School Physicians

Dr. John S. Graf
Dr. Thomas M. Hearne
Dr. George R. Murphy

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Cornelius Thibeault, D.V.S.

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Stanley A. Riggs

MAYOR'S SECRETARY

Blanche E. Nickerson

TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL BUILDING

Dr. Harold L. Margeson, Chairman	Term expires 1959
Joseph T. Cefalo	Term expires 1961
Leslie B. Ellis	Term expires 1960
Arvid F. Moberger	Term expires 1960
Errol H. Twitchell	Term expires 1961

Blanche E. Nickerson, Secretary

PARK COMMISSION

Harold W. Poole, Chairman	Term expires 1961
John T. Brady	Term expires 1960
John H. Kelly	Term expires 1963
Edgar A. Perry	Term expires 1962
Kenneth G. Swindell	Term expires 1959

Francis J. Meehan, Superintendent
Elburt P. Fletcher, Recreation Director

PERSONNEL BOARD

Nicholas P. Flynn, Chairman	Term expires 1959
Horace H. Feltham	Term expires 1960
Robert F. Goodspeed	Term expires 1959
Frederick S. Nichols	Holdover
Albert A. Vogt, Jr.	Term expires 1960

E. Gertrude Gilbert, Secretary

TRUSTEES OF PINE BANKS PARK

Parker Converse, President
Eaton H. Perkins, Vice-President
Charles H. Gilmore, Secretary
Robert A. Hodgdon, Treasurer
Walter J. Kelliher (Mayor of Malden)
Lawrence W. Lloyd (Mayor of Melrose)
Dana F. Batting
George W. Cray, Superintendent

PLANNING BOARD

Ronald H. Winde, Chairman (Died Aug. 28, 1958)	
Jay. J. Martin, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1960
Lillian V. Macdonald, Clerk (Resigned Oct. 1, 1958)	
Carole J. Geiger, Clerk	Term expires 1963
Harry M. Brettell	Term expires 1962
John E. Buddington	Term expires 1961
Robert S. Clark	Term expires 1959
Merion E. Hartzell	Term expires 1963
Kenneth L. Maclachlan	Term expires 1961
Paul H. Messer	Term expires 1960
Walter V. Robinson	Term expires 1959

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Captain-in-charge

George D. MacWilliams

Lieutenant

Robert A. Lloyd

Keeper of the Lock-up

George D. MacWilliams

PROPERTY VALUATION BOARD

S. Homer Buttrick, Chairman
Francis A. Zins, Clerk
Norman D. MacDonald

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Howard B. Wilder Chairman	Term expires 1960
William L. Carney	Term expires 1961
Edwin W. Lundquist	Term expires 1959
Elisabeth M. Perkins	Term expires 1961
Ernest F. Perkins, Jr.	Term expires 1960
Elinor H. Tibbetts	Term expires 1959

Helen Anderson,. Librarian

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

William J. Neely, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Gertrude M. Curtin	Term expires 1961
John W. Huse	Term expires 1959
Charles F. Kezer	Term expires 1961
Carol F. Offenbach	Term expires 1960

Mary J. Meville, Agent

MELROSE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Jay J. Martin, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1963
Ray C. Young, Clerk	Term expires 1959
Herbert R. Corey	Term expires 1962
Joseph E. Kehoe	Term expires 1960
Christopher J. McCarthy	Term expires 1961

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

BOARD MEMBERS

Charles E. Holt, Chairman (Retired Oct. 1, 1958)	
Edward J. Murphy, Chairman	Term expires 1959
John F. Flynn	Term expires 1961
Fergus W. Griffin (Died April 8, 1958)	
Paul H. Provandie, II	Term expires 1960
Raymond H. Greenlaw, Clerk	Ex-officio

ASSISTANT REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Elizabeth N. Bailot
Anita M. Beard
Margaret F. Brennan
Dorothy C. Burnham
Vivian R. Denning
Helena E. Dolaher
Barbara H. Gove
George W. Jepson, Jr.
Mary A. McHatton
Mary M. McSweeney
Grace F. Mitchell
William A. Noonan
Eric G. Noseworthy
Frances M. O'Connell
Jennie J. Silva
Marjorie S. Washburn

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

School Committee Members

Ralph W. Daffinee, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Howard R. True, Cor. Sec'y.	Term expires 1962
Wilbur H. Burnham, Jr.	Term expires 1960
Ann D. Carter	Term expires 1962
Lloyd E. Conn	Term expires 1960
B. Natalie Urban	Term expires 1962
Randall E. Webber	Term expires 1962
Ronald H. Winde, Jr.	Term expires 1960
Leighton H. York	Term expires 1960

Superintendent of Schools

Harold T. Rand

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Oscar D. Knight

VETERANS' SERVICES

Veteran's Agent

H. Leslie Trickey

Inspector of Veterans Graves

Henry F. Weiler

Advisory Board for Veterans' Services

Frank C. Gardner — Richard H. McIntosh

Harold W. Poole

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENT

Charles A. Woodman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEAL

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Appeal submits, herewith, its annual report for the year 1958.

The annual organization meeting of the Board was held on January 22, 1958, at which time W. Jarvis Lowe was re-elected chairman and Edwin H. King was re-elected secretary for the ensuing year. Other members of the board are Frank S. Kimberley, architect; Melvin S. Jenney, attorney; Leo Moulaison, builder; and E. Franklin Reed, Boston & Maine Railroad Vice President, Director of Industrial Development.

The Board heard thirty-two appeals during the year. Eleven of these hearings concerned multiple dwellings or apartments; ten were requests for conversions from single family to two-family dwellings; five were requests for business extensions; and six were general cases asking relief from building code and zoning restrictions.

Requests for apartment houses have increased to the point of alarming some of the members of the Board, so a joint meeting was held with the Planning Board in order to get their views on the matter. After considerable discussion, it was decided that Melrose has a definite need for apartment buildings in certain areas and that the kind, type, and locations should be left to the discretion of the Board of Appeal.

A summary of the cases heard and decisions rendered follows:

Appeals granted	22
Appeals denied	6
Appeals withdrawn	2
No decisions	2
Total	32

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF APPEAL

By Edwin H. King
Secretary

ADDENDUM

Year	Census	Dwellings	Polls	Value Buildings	Value Land	Total Val. Real Estate	Value Personal Estate	Total Valuation	Rate per $1.000	City Appropriation	Sewerage Tax	Other State Levies	State Tax	County Tax	Overlay	Total Tax Levy	Year
1938	24,050	5,748	7,175	27,619,400	8,089,000	35,708,400	2,807,500	38,515,900	34.40	1,502,168.38 †81,646.44	22,916.59	89,157.51	50,440.00	59,058.70 32,760.51	18,876.83 1,084.67	1,838,109.63 *498,212.67	1938
1939	24,670	5,790	7,977	27,584,800	8,189,000	35,773,800	2,726,250	38,500,050	33.80	1,491,463.07 †102,231.21	27,001.39	142,027.68	104 040.00	49,678.46 18,408.73	17,925.87	1,952,776.41 *635,520.72	1939
1940	25,232	5,858	8,191	27,749,950	8,047,250	35,797,200	2,727,800	38,525,000	33.60	1,512,704.20 †57,768.78	28 982.80	81,387.41	92,480.00	49,678.46 18,998.84	29,317.13	1,871,317.62 *560,495.62	1940
1941	25,511	5,926	8,231	27,859,050	7,939,600	35,798,650	2,723,450	38,522,100	31.60	1,475,192.60 †58,077.51	33,226.90	72,049.39	100,485.00	57, 506.55 17,281.83	29,226.58 2,024.83	1,845,071.19 *611,210.83	1941
1942	25,896	5,875	8,486	28,453,600	7,971,250	36,424,850	2,676,750	39,101,600	30.60	1,445,152.91 †104 482.00	30,823.77	71,335.63	91,350.00	48,063.67 17,498.85	27,207.70 580.71	1,836,495.24 *623,014.28	1942
1943	26,649	5,887	8,838	28,698,600	7,931,900	36,630,500	2,729,200	39,359,700	28.40	1,385,174.55 †79,284.55	31,938.34	64,856.13	30,450.00	43,324.31 10,571.89	17,553.72	1,663,153.49 *527,662.01	1943
1944	27,412	5,885	9,195	28,624,500	8,035,950	36,660,450	2,715,900	39,376,350	29.60	1,402,782.15 †199,898.08	29,159.69	80,378.72	76,351.00	51,223.86 12,302.59	18,051.80	1,870,147.89 *686,339.93	1944
1945	27,971	5,881	9,329	28,671,500	7,909,800	36,581,300	2,806,050	39,387,350	29.60	1,499,942.80 †191,089.31	29,762.25	71,522.56	42,908.00	53,313.34 12,375.71	16,286.28 250.00	1,867,450.25 *682,926.69	1945
1946	27,938	5,880	9,324	28,702,200	7,908,350	36,610,550	2,913,000	39,423,550	31.60	1,560,615.98 †182,790.95	34,052.28	39,113.24	31 600.00	62,376.97 10,001.77	17,480.45 312.40	1,938,344.04 *673,981.86	1946
1947	27,761	5,901	9,089	28,973,700	7,916,800	36,890,500	3,093,950	39,984,450	36.00	1,863,980.44 †257,748.14	43,122.85	43,305.96	31,600.00	76,511.38 14,344.76	15,772.18 94.00	2,346,479.71 *888,909.51	1947
1948	27,754	5,977	9,015	29,736,800	7,961,800	37,698,600	3,365,750	41,064,350	42.00	2,336,368.14 †553,127.10	47,646.33	42,435.28	0.00	68,879.51 14,344.76	18,248.39 1,153.11	2,982,202.62 *1,239,469.92	1948
1949	27,928	6,076	9,015	30,599,200	8,041,750	38,640,950	3,630,800	42,271,750	42.00	2,275,091.66 †505,779.95	50,536.79	53,625.77	0.00	86,952.17 19,326.54	25,008.40 625.80	3,016,947.08 *1,223,503.58	1949
1950	27,973	6,156	8,981	31,168,500	8,079,400	39,247,900	3,360,600	42,608,500	42.00	2,453,410.37 †425,385.17	61,384.35	65,614 32	0.00	114,034.08 21,887.19	25,000.00 529.67	3,167,245.15 *1,359,726.15	1950
1951	28,226	6,279	9,019	31,996,700	8,149,350	40,146,050	3,554,250	43,700,300	46.00	2,796,487.39 †200,763.66	60,072.82	54,809.62	0.00	98,478.29 28,422.61	27,000.00 8.40	3,266,122.79 *1,237,870.99	1951
1952	28,313	6,409	9,021	33,242,450	8,234,300	41,476,500	3,219,150	44,695,900	53.80	3,079,186.82 †277,726.82	54,215.99	80,488.60	0.00	123,755.80 33,788.56	35,450.43 2,061.83	3,686,674.40 *1,263,992.98	1952
1953	28,335	6,506	8,981	34,482,100	8,335,050	42,817,150	3,243,400	46,050,550	52.80	3,128,765.89 †462,019.15	59,101.92	67,226.70	0.00	108,738.00 39,235.21	42,223.07 4,559.03	3,911,868.97 *1,461,909.93	1953
1954	28,538	6,596	8,942	35,242,950	8,345,150	43,588,100	3,342,400	46,920,500	54.40	3,384,078.17 †228,380.89	51,220.61	98,098.80	0.00	109,487.12 34,862.71	41,385.08 523.38	3,948,036.76 *1,377,677.56	1954
1955	29,239	6,720	9,031	36,344,450	8,398,200	44,742,650	3,358,200	48,100,850	55.40	3,489,274.98 † 280,787.04 H 85,661.95	55,468 84	94,415.14	0.00	108,479.00 32,504.32	52,012.81 5,432.79	4,204,036.87 *1,521,187.78	1955
1956	29,304	6,830	8,970	37,211,050	8,431,750	45,642,800	3,392,650	49,035,450	58.00	3,702,814.17 †1,097,855.28 H 10,735.90	65,638.60	106,843.07	0.00	132,666.91 30,757.95	56,604.91 1,327.16	5,213,243.95 *2,351,247.85	1956
1957	29,713	6,910	9,005	38,144,600	8,163,200	46,757,800	3,584,400	50,342,200	59.60	3,933,387.92 474,735.70	75,344,24	108,453.50	0.00	137,917.14 32,206.14	64,641.21 145.80	4,826,831.65 * 1,798,356.09	1957
1958	29,933	6,973	8,976	38,825,900	8,659,700	47,485,600	3,608,700	51,094,300	63.60	4,593,888.95 105,919.85	105,919.85	105,753.93	0.00	166,073.93 28,849.77	71,190 .17 1,467.23	5,073,143.83 * 1,805,594.35	1958

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
The Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report of the Assessing Department for the year ending December 31, 1958:

Taxable Valuation of the City:		
Real Estate	$ 47,485,600.00	
Personal Property	3,608,700.00	
Total	$ 51,094,300.00	

Tax Rate $63.60 per $1,000.00

BUDGET

City Appropriations		
To be included in the tax levy	$ 4,135,074.89	
From Available Funds	458,814.06	
Total Appropriations		$ 4,593,888.95
State Assessments - 1958 Estimates		
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	$ 431.91	
State Examination of Retirement System	1,181.19	
Smoke Inspection Service	612.78	
Metropolitan Parks	44,381.90	
Metropolitan Sewerage	105,919.85	
Metropolitan Water	57,895.12	
Total 1958 State Estimates		$ 210,422.75
State Assessments - 1957 Underestimates		
Smoke Inspection Service	$ 16.06	
Metropolitan Sewerage	1,234.97	
Total 1957 Underestimates - State		$ 1,251.03
County Assessments - 1958 Estimates		
County Tax	$ 153,426.03	
Tuberculosis Hospital (actual)	28,849.77	
Total 1948 Estimates - County		$ 182,275.80
County Assessment - 1957 Underestimate		
County Tax		$ 12,647.90
Overlay 1958		$ 71,190.17
Overlay Deficit (1956)		$ 1,467.23
TOTAL - ALL APPROPRIATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS		$ 5,073,143.83

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

RECAPITULATION OF 1958 TAX RATE

LESS DEDUCTIONS

Estimated Receipts - City - 1958		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$ 360,386.19	
Licenses	6,214.50	
Fines	754.98	
Special Assessments	65,996.42	
General Government	11,373.60	
Protection of Persons and Property	4,362.92	
Health and Sanitation	13,128.59	
Highways	5,300.18	
Charities	33,416.47	
Old Age Assistance	186,801.45	
Veterans' Services	17,882.22	
Schools	20,739.37	
Libraries	52.36	
Recreation	4,134.27	
Public Service Enterprises	223,830.83	
Cemeteries	12,636.01	
Interest	14,355.94	
Farm Animal Excise	8.10	
Total 1958 Estimated City Receipts		$ 981,374.40
Estimated State Receipts - 1958		
Income Tax	$ 205,915.03	
Corporation Taxes	147,626.15	
Old Age Tax (meals)	9,923.33	
Total 1958 Estimated State Receipts		$ 363,464.51
Estimated Receipts - 1957 State Overestimates		
Metropolitan Parks		$ 1,941.38
Available Funds		$ 458,814.06
TOTAL ALL DEDUCTIONS		$ 1,805,594.35
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION		$ 3,267,549.48

HOW RAISED

BY POLLS 8976 @ $2.00	$ 17,952.00	
PERSONAL TAX $ 3,608,700 @ 63.60	229,513.32	
REAL ESTATE $47,485,600 @ 63.60	3,020,084.16	
TOTAL		$ 3,267,549.48

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Number of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations assessed	7,482
Number of Persons assessed for Poll Tax	8,976
Number of Motor Vehicle Excises levied	15,227
Number of Horses assessed upon	3
Number of Dwellings assessed upon	6,973

VALUATION OF EXEMPTED PROPERTY

	PERSONAL	REAL ESTATE
City Property Publicly Used	$ 410,200.00	$ 5,835,950.00
City Property Not So Used		73,225.00
Benevolent Institutions	265,000.00	1,031,300.00
Cemeteries	500.00	23,400.00
Charitable Institutions	5,500.00	66,900.00
Houses of Religious Worship	39,500.00	1,563,100.00
Literary Institutions	12,500.00	202,600.00
Organizations of War Veterans	3,000.00	19,100.00
Parsonages		95,800.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		234,400.00
	$ 736,200.00	$ 9,145,775.00

The following additional assessments were committed:

Motor Vehicle Excise	(15,227)		$ 467,365.64
Farm Animal Excise	(1)		9.69
Apportioned Sewer Assessments		$ 13,668.27	
" Sidewalk "		3,415.74	
" Street "		15,157.69	
Water Liens		13,183.80	
Committed Interest		11,535.12	$ 56,960.62
Unapportioned Sewer Assessments		$ 12,175.97	
" Sidewalk "		4,846.17	
" Street		48,868.77	$ 65,890.91
Additional Polls	(27)		$ 54.00
" Real Estate	(1)		82.68
Recovered from Estates of Deceased Persons	(3)		$ 1,427.54

During the year 33,101 Items were committed to the Collector.

Respectfully Submitted:

Henry K Rostell

William L. MacDonald

Louis Letterneau

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF HEALTH

of the

CITY OF MELROSE

for the

Year Ending December 31st.
1958

Organization of Board
Oakley R. Jones, M.D., Chairman
Paul E. Troy, Atty., Lawrence E. Simpson, Members
Helen F. Adams, Agent

School Physicians
Thomas M. Hearne, M.D. George R. Murphy, M.D.
John S. Graf, M.D.

Public Health Nurses
Johanna P. M. Versteeg, P.H.N. Supervisor
Jane H. Lord, P.H.N., Katherine Hatheway, P.H.N.

Dentist
Ezra J. Kennison, D.M.D.

Dental Hygienists

Roberta Ling	Margaret Reed
Martha Dunham	Ruth Stevenson

Inspectors

Sanitary	John J. Devine
Animal	Cornelius Thibeault, D.V.S.

To the Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose 76, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We submit herewith a review of the health conditions of the city and a statement of the acts of the Board of Health for the year ending December 31, 1958.

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL -

Mrs. Katherine B. Hatheway was appointed as public health nurse in this department to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Edith N. Hersam on July 31, 1958.

Miss Martha A.Dunham was appointed as dental hygienist for the Board of Health to replace Mrs.Patricia Carey who resigned at the close of the school year in June 1958.

Mr. Lawrence E.Simpson was reappointed to the Board of Health for another three year term.

GENERAL HEALTH -

The general health of the community during 1958 was very good, although the number of deaths increased giving us an apparent death rate of 10.3 per 1,000 population as compared to 8.9 in 1957. This increased rate was due to the fact that 62% of our deaths were in persons over 70 years of age. The birth rate during 1958 showed an increase. There were 521 live births this year as compared to 484 live births in 1957. There were only 7 deaths of infants under 1 year of age giving us an infant mortality rate in 1958 of 13.4 as compared to 18.5 in 1957. Of the 29 premature births born in 1958 only 4 deaths resulted. Financial aid was given to 4 parents "based on need".

The school health program continued in the 10 public and 2 parochial schools. A detailed account of this program and the work accomplished in our schools is presented in the report of the Public Health Supervising Nurse.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES -

Statistics show a considerable increase in the number of communicable diseases during 1958 with 1,582 cases reported as compared to 876 cases in 1957. This increase was due to the State wide epidemic of measles. No deaths occurred in the reportable disease group during 1958.

Tuberculosis - There were 8 new cases reported with not a single death from tubercular infection during 1958. We are extremely proud of this record, one which we feel is due to active treatment with injections, and the tuberculosis program carried on by our public health nurses.

Poliomyelitis and Diphtheria - Not a single case of poliomyelitis or diphtheria was reported in 1958.

Measles - There were 875 cases of measles reported as compared to 16 cases in 1957.

Scarlet Fever - There were 13 cases of scarlet fever reported in 1958 as compared to 26 cases in 1957.

Rabies Control - 326 dogs were inocculated against rabies this year by the Board of Health. There were no cases of rabies in the city.

HEALTH EDUCATION -

This program continued with all personnel participating. Attendance at lectures, conferences and seminars, is essential to maintain well trained personnel.

SANITATION -

Restaurants - During the past year a school for restaurant proprietors and workers was conducted at which lectures were given by Messrs. Edward Wong and Vartkes Karaian of the State Department of Health. In addition to these lectures, several moving pictures bearing upon the subject matter were shown. An average of 63 persons attended the three sessions. The importance of cleanliness in every step of the process of serving food down through the washing of the dishes was emphasized. Certificates were awarded to those proprietors and workers who attended all three sessions.

All nuisances reported were investigated and action taken for correction. Unclean premises, garbage strewn over yards, vermin, rats and illegal dumping were the most frequent complaints. Constant vigilance is required to keep such nuisance complaints at a minimum.

All proposed sub-divisions were inspected for satisfactory drinking water, sewage and surface drainage as prescribed by General Laws.

Our bakeries received the semi-annual inspections required and objectionable practises were called to the owners' attention.

All milk sold in the city was tested and cultured periodically and found acceptable. Milk sold in this city is pasteurized, thus protecting the community from the several milk borne diseases.

All known stables, animal pens, chicken yards, etc. were inspected.

The one application for a cesspool was inspected. This cesspool met the required specifications according to the rules and regulations of this department and therefore the permit was granted.

Routine inspections were made of the one Motel in Melrose and conditions found to be excellent.

RECOMMENDATIONS -

Once again our recommendations are as follows: a more adequate office, a laboratory and clinic space are most urgently needed. At present there is only one room available for 6 full-time employees and 8 part-time employees. A conference room for the nurses to interview privately the mothers who call on them regarding their family health problems is necessary. There is no laboratory available for the Sanitary Inspector and his examinations are being made in a laboratory outside the city.

In presenting this report for 1958, we wish to express our appreciation for the courtesy of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and to the various departments for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley B. Jones
Paul E. Troy
Lawrence E. Simpson

Board of Health of Melrose

BOARD OF HEALTH

TABLE I

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	1958	Totals 1958	1957	Totals 1957
Total Appropriation		$49,760.64		$47,575.91
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries & Wages		$28,720.61		$27,265.93
Chairman	$ 3,190.98		$ 3,023.43	
Board Members	150.50		143.50	
Health Agent	4,215.64		3,891.42	
Substitute Agent	150.00		150.00	
School Physicians	1,855.26		1,758.60	
Public Health Nurses	13,121.76		12,621.30	
Inspector of Animals	835.74		791.70	
Sanitary Inspector	5,200.73		4,885.98	
Other Expenses		$ 1,766.02		$ 1,754.01
Telephone	$ 230.21		$ 243.00	
Car Allowance-Public Health Work @ 8¢ per mile	1,331.44		1,340.33	
Office Supplies	204.37		170.68	
Tuberculosis		$ 3,096.87		$ 2,415.33
Outside Aid	$ 364.37		$ 364.83	
Board & Supplies in Hospital	2,732.50		2,050.50	
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases		$ 536.59		$ 280.07
Burial of Dead Animals		$ 399.00		$ 610.00
Immunization of Dogs		$ 301.83		$ 309.88
Dental Clinic		$ 9,236.49		$ 8,699.24
Salaries & Wages	$ 8,275.78		$ 7,807.79	
Administrative Expense	960.71		891.45	
Transportation-Children Dental Clinic		$ 677.00		$ 735.00
Care of Premature Infants		$ 818.63		$ 696.00
Laboratory & Educational Expense		$ 192.47		$ 336.52
Out of State Travel		$ 54.00		$
Mosquito Suppression		$ 1,370.16		$ 2,378.66
Polio & Influenza Clinics		$ 382.24		$ 371.69
Total Expenditures		$47,551.91		$45,852.33
Revenues of Board of Health*		$ 1,622.32		$ 2,107.52
Licenses	$ 207.00		$ 278.00	
Reimbursements	1,252.32		1,643.52	
Dog Clinic	163.00		186.00	

*Not available for use

TABLE II

DEATHS IN MELROSE, CLASSIFIED AS TO CAUSE
(INCLUDING MELROSE-WAKEFIELD HOSPITAL)

		MALES	FEMALES
I	Infectious and Parasitic Diseases	0	0
II	Cancer & Other Tumors	25	41
III	Diseases of Nutrition, Rheumatism, etc	0	3
IV	Diseases of the Blood & Blood Forming Organs	0	0
V	Chronic Poisoning & Intoxication	0	0
VI	Diseases of the Nervous System and Sense Organs	20	33
VII	Diseases of the Circulatory System	75	92
VIII	Diseases of the Respiratory System	4	8
IX	Diseases of the Digestive System	8	8
X	Diseases of the Genito-urinary System	5	4
XI	Diseases of Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium	0	1
XIII	Diseases of the Bones and Organs of Movement	1	1
XV	Diseases Peculiar to the First Year of Life	10	7
XVII	Violent or Accidental Deaths	5	0
XVIII	Ill-defined & Unknown Causes	1	2

There were 14 stillbirths in 1958 in Melrose

Deaths of all persons in Melrose.....Males 154
(exclusive of 14 stillbirths) Females....199

There were 4 stillbirths to Melrose residents in 1958

Deaths of all Melrose residents Males.....140
(exclusive of 4 stillbirths) Females....163
Total 303

Of these deaths, children under one year..... 7
Persons over 70 years of age.....187

TABLE III

INFANT MORTALITY TO ALL MELROSE PARENTS

Year	Live Births	Deaths of Infants under one year	Infant mortality per 1000 Live Births
1958	526*	7	13.4

Children born in Melrose to Melrose parents..... 331
(Including 4 stillbirths)
Children born elsewhere to Melrose parents..... 195
Children born in Melrose to non-residents..... 893
(Including 10 stillbirths)
Total (Including 14 stillbirths).....1419*

POPULATION JANUARY 1, 1958 - 29,933

Apparent death rate 1958 per 1,000 population.....10.3*

*Provisional figures

TABLE III

CASES & DEATHS OF CERTAIN DISEASES FOR TEN YEARS

	Polio-mye litis		Diph-theria		Scarlet Fever		Typhoid Fever		Measles		Whooping Cough		Tuberculosis Pul. & Miliary		Tuberculosis Menin-geal		Other Forms	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths		
1949	25	2	0	0	19	0	0	0	414	0	33	0	4	4	0	0	0	0
1950	3	0	0	0	38	0	0	0	45	0	47	0	11	2	0	0	0	0
1951	2	0	1	0	12	0	1	0	66	0	2	0	12	3	0	0	0	0
1952	5	1	1	0	15	0	0	0	608	0	9	0	5	3	0	0	1	0
1953	6	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	8	0	7	0	4	4	0	0	1	0
1954	4	0	2	0	17	0	0	0	177	0	33	0	3	2	0	0	0	1
1955	23	1	0	0	21	0	0	0	983	0	8	0	10	2	0	0	0	1
1956	1	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	5	1	0	0	1	0
1957	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	16	0	10	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
1958	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	875	0	14	0	8	0	0	0	0	0

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF NURSING

Board of Health,
Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

As Supervising Public Health Nurse, I herewith submit the following report for the year 1958:

SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM -

Visits to Schools	982
Visits to Dental Clinics	190
Hearing Tests	932
Hearing Re-Tests	91
Vision Re-tests	277
Classroom Visits	3,848
Pupils Interviewed	11,830
Teachers Interviewed	4,187
Teacher-Nurse Conferences	305
Meetings with Teachers	2
Talks in Classrooms	8
Physical Examinations by School Physicians	972
Physical Examinations by Private Physicians	802
Special Examinations	9
School Home Visits for Correction of Defects	665
Referrals to the Lions Club for re-checks on Vision Losses and the furnishing of glasses	26

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS -

Monthly clinics were held for infants and pre-school children:

22 received the triple antigen against diphtheria-whooping cough and tetanus.
12 received booster doses.
20 received 2 doses of polio vaccine.
12 received booster doses.

This clinic is available to those families financially unable to see the private physician. We are guided by the State's schedule for "determination of need".

TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAM -

A total of 67 tuberculosis cases were registered to whom 351 visits were made by the nurses. 75 visits were made to contacts and suspects.

HANDICAPPED CHILDREN -

The annual census showed forty-five children on the register. Handicaps were: congenital defects, accidents and burns, harelips, cleft palates, cerebral palsy, epilepsy,etc. A visiting teacher through the school department, teaches the children who are unable to attend school. Lip reading classes are provided for the hard of hearing. The Board of Health supervises, to ascertain that all resources for rehabilitation are made available to the parents either through the private physician or clinics. 46 visits were made to these children by the nurses.

DENTAL PROGRAM -

The dentist reported:

265 pupils treated
162 pupils examined
125 pupils completed
66 extractions
1,453 fillings
13 X-rays in his own private office
20 plastic fillings
2 silver nitrate treatments

The three full-time dental hygienists treated pupils of the 2-4-6-8 grades. They rendered prophylaxis and four applications of sodium fluoride. The pupils were instructed in Dental Health.

1,588 pupils were treated (95%) and received 6,248 treatments. 122 pupils had sodium fluoride treatments by private dentists and 38 pupils were "not interested". 190 visits were made to the school clinics by the Supervisor.

MISCELLANEOUS -

The State Department of Health reported 4 cases of syphilis and gonorrhoea in Melrose during 1958.

72 interviews were held with Social and Health Agencies. 19 meetings were attended and 6 talks were given on Public Health Nursing.

We are grateful forthe cooperation and assistance received from the following:

The Salvation Army
The Red Cross Ames Fund
The Melrose-Wakefield Hospital
The Lions Club
The School Department
Saint Mary's Parochial School

Respectfully submitted,

Johanna P.M. Versteeg, P.H.N.
Supervising Public Health Nurse.

REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health,
Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Sanitary Inspector herewith submits his annual report from January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958:

INSPECTION OF MILK

INSPECTION:

Pasteurizing Plants	85
Dairies within city limits	1
Ice Cream Plants	13

SAMPLES COLLECTED:

Market Milk	109
Grade "A" Milk	22
Homogenized Milk	238
Special Milk	15
Cream	44
Ice Cream	61

LABORATORY REPORT:

Chemical analysis of milk and cream (found below standard, 7)	481
Bacteriological examination of milk and cream (found below standard, 23)	880
Coliform count, milk and ice cream (found below standard, 69)	504
Chemical analysis of ice cream	55
Bacteriological examination of mix and ice cream (found below standard, 6)	131
Phosphatase test	324
Total Solids	161
Water Samples	4

DAILY RETAIL SALES MILK PRODUCTS
(Dealers' Declaration)

Pasteurized Milk	15,019 qts.
Certified Pasteurized Milk	17 qts.
Cream	621 qts.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Milk and Oleomargerine, stores and dealers	142
Pasteurization Plants	1
Ice Cream Manufacturing Permits	2
Ice Cream Sales Permits	104

GEOMETRICAL AVERAGE FOR THE YEAR 1958

GRADE "A" MILK

Dealer	Milk Fat	Plate Count
State Standard	4.00	10,000
Hoods, H. P. & Sons	4.28	710
Kiley Farm	4.20	1,500
Musgrave Farm	4.02	840
Spears, Clinton W.	4.17	2,500
Sunnyhurst Dairy, Inc	4.39	2,000

MARKET AND HOMOGENIZED MILK

State Standard	3.35	10,000
Market:		
Bedford Farms	4.23	1,000
Brookside (First National Stores)	3.79	1,000
Buttrick, David	4.13	1,000
Cummings, B. L., Inc	4.22	2,500
Fallon, W. J. & Son	3.81	2,000
Hanley & Son	3.96	1,000
Hoods, H. P. & Son	3.76	3,000
Kiley Farm	3.73	1,000
Musgrave Farm	4.10	1,000
Simmons, Charles L	3.81	1,500
Seven Oaks Dairy	3.92	3,000
Spears, Clinton W	3.85	2,000
Homogenized:		
Bedford Farms	4.03	6,500
Brookside (First National Stores)	3.98	1,500
Brox's Dairy (A. & P. Store)	3.78	2,000
Buttrick, David	4.26	2,000
Cummings, B. L. Inc	3.99	2,000
Fallon, W. J. & Sons	3.75	2,000
Hanley & Son	4.06	590
Happy Valley Dairy	3.65	4,000
Hoods, H. P. & Sons	3.75	3,000
Kiley Farm	3.73	640
Musgrave Farms	3.90	1,500
Sealtest	3.75	1,000
Simmons, Charles L	3.74	1,500
Seven Oaks Dairy	3.92	3,500
Spears, Clinton W	3.83	4,000
Sunnyhurst Dairy, Inc	3.85	2,000
Ware Dairy	3.76	3,000
Weiss Farm	3.74	2,000
Whiting Milk Company	3.74	1,500
United Farmers of New England	3.96	2,000

INSPECTION OF FOOD

INSPECTIONS:	
Common Victuallers	150
Stores-Lord's Day and Food	60
Stores-Drug	59
Bakeries	27
Nuisance Complaints	67
Number of investigations made concerning complaints	198
Animal Permits Granted	13
Animal Permit Inspections	18
Cesspool Inspections	23
Cesspool and Septic Tank Permits Granted	1
Methyl and Wood Alcohol Licenses Issued	30
Bacteriological examination of eating utensils	329
Common Victualler and Soda Fountains Found above standard plate count of 100....89	
Motel Inspections	2

INSPECTION OF FOOD (CONT'D)

Foods Condemned as Unfit for Human Consumption:
Fire Damaged:
868½ lbs. Fruit and Vegetables
60 doz. Crated Oranges
91 boxes Fruit and Vegetables

AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1958

	Dishes	Glasses	Silverware	Scoring Grade %
Federal Standard (not over)	100	100	100	
COMMON VICTUALLERS' LICENSES:				
Bellevue Golf Club	46	32	25	81.5
Brigham's Inc	20	19	17	94
Emerson Grille	41	370	180	88
Franklin Square Restaurant	220	85	65	83.5
F. W. Woolworth's	29	16	11	87.3
Garvey Inc	97	P.S.	9	87.5
George's Submarine Shop	9	"	7	90.5
Golden Gate Restaurant	31	10	90	88
Gregg's Ice Cream Parlor	63	7	31	92
Jerry's Lunch	45	59	49	89
The Lobster Shop	86	140	300	88
Lou's Lunch	49	48	68	87.5
Melrose Donut Shop	110	63	37	94
Melrose-Wakefield Coffee Shop.(Hospital)	25	9	14	90.5
Mt. Hood Golf Club	100	39	160	85
Perrillo's Submarine Sandwich Shop	P.S.	P.S.	P.S.	95
Pine Banks Refreshment Stand	74	87	65	88
Pondview Restaurant	20	45	55	95
Regent Delicatessen	89	83	150	88
Reynolds Lunchonette	30	140	42	82
Melrose Cafeteria	150	330	300	72
Stearns & Hill	92	57	86	85
FOUNTAIN SERVICE STORES:				
Austin Pharmacy		66	6	83.5
Bells Pharmacy		5	5	85
LeBlanc Pharmacy		72	500	76
Emerson Pharmacy		4	3	86
Franklin Spa		4	100	80
Grove Pharmacy		16	27	93
Haslam Pharmacy		16	2	95
Rogers Pharmacy		45	230	92
York Pharmacy		52	10	90

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Devine

John J. Devine,
Sanitary Inspector.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

The Board of Health,
City of Melrose,
Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

As Inspector of Animals for the City of Melrose, I herewith submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1958.

One Hundred (100) dogs were examined and quarantined for rabies observation as having inflicted injury by biting or scratching persons. There were no cases of rabies in the City this year.

Barns housing horses were inspected and fount to be in good condition.

There are no cattle within the City.

Respectfully submitted,

Cornelius Thibeault

Cornelius Thibeault, D.V.N.
Inspector of Animals.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Building Department respectfully submits, herewith, its annual report for the year 1958.

The building, plumbing, and gas permits issued during the year are classified below:

No.	Classification	Estimated Cost
43	Single dwellings	$ 379,900.00
92	Reshingles	31,113.00
70	Alterations (Dwelling)	51,895.00
15	Alterations (Other)	30,825.00
21	Garages	29,316.00
23	Demolitions	00
4	Relocation of buildings	00
4	Restoration of fire damage	14,500.00
7	Tank installations	7,500.00
4	Apartment buildings	257,000.00
1	Addition to First National Store	120,000.00
1	Addition to Church	20,000.00
1	Clubhouse	73,500.00
1	Recreational building	45,000.00
2	Foundations only	4,000.00
1	Storage building	2,100.00
1	Summer house	375.00
1	Tool shed	200.00
2	Swimming pools	3,500.00
	Conversions:	
9	Single to 2-family dwellings	13,700.00
1	Two to 4-family dwelling	1,000.00
1	Three to 4-family dwelling	500.00
2	Four to 5-family dwelling	1,850.00
307	Building Permits	$1,087,774.00

PLUMBING AND GAS DIVISION:

47	Permits to do plumbing in new buildings	$ 47,607.00
461	Permits to replace plumbing in old buildings	98,560.00
98	Permits for the addition of plumbing in old buildings	34,766.00
7	Permits for the conversion of dwellings	4,550.00
4	Permits for new sewer connections in old buildings that require plumbing	635.00
617	Plumbing Permits	$ 186,118.00
305	Gas Permits	$ 26,431.00

Number of plumbing fixtures installed	1,443
Number of visits of inspection for plumbing	1,182
Number of water tests for plumbing	50
Number of gas fits installed	24
Number of gas appliances installed	338
Number of permits to change gas piping and mains	3
Number of visits and tests on gas work	378

A total sum of $3,063.35 was received by the Building Department from January 1 to December 31, 1958 for building, plumbing, and gas permit fees, code books, zoning maps, and Board of Appeal applications.

307	Building permits	$1,723.50
617	Plumbing permits	797.50
305	Gas permits	194.50
21	Zoning maps	5.15
12	Code books	2.70
34	Board of Appeal applications	340.00
	Total fees	$3,063.35

Respectfully submitted,

Francis A. Zino
Building Commissioner

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Cemetery Committee hereby submits its report of the Cemetery Department for the year ending December 31, 1958.

The regular work on maintenance and services has been carried out as usual, although the Superintendent has been somewhat handicapped because of illness and injuries among the working force. Outside of the regular work, we have started two major improvement projects, the filling of a low section with gravel for future development and burial lots, and the repairing of the sunken wall on Sylvan Street. Work on the latter was started in the fall. The old masonry was removed and the area brought up to grade with gravel fill.

Test borings show that we have to go down 42 feet to solid bottom. Above this there is about 8 feet of miscellaneous material, and over this is about 8 feet of muck and peat. We have requested the Engineering Department to take over the design and construction of the foundation.

We wish to thank the various officers and departments for their co-operation with us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

The Cemetery Committee
By Wm J. McClintock

December 31, 1958.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

To the Cemetery Committee,
Melrose,
Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of the Superintendent of Wyoming Cemetery for the year ending December 31, 1958:

Interments:

Adults	191
Children, 12 yrs. or under	14
Cremated remains	13
Total for 1958	218

Sale of Lots:

Sold during the year	23
Total number sold to January 1, 1959	2,693

Sale of Graves:

Sold during the year	65
Total number sold to January 1, 1959	4,924
Number of Lots under Perpetual Care	1,993
Number of Single Graves under Perpetual Care	3,364
Number of Lots available for sale January 1, 1959, Regular, Sections D, H and 2	35
Number of Lots available for sale January 1, 1959, in Sections 4, 5, and 6	173
Old Lots placed in Perpetual Care	1

Respectfully submitted,

Howard O. Milton

Superintendent.

DETAILS OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Year Ending December 31, 1958

Accounts	Appropriations and Transfers		Expenditures	Unexpended Balance To Revenue of 1958	Unexpended Balance To Lot & Gr. Fund	Unexpended Balance To 1959
Maintenance: Salaries & Wages	$40,746.01					
Order 12596-A	1,940.50					
Credit	597.84	$43,284.35	$42,326.27	$ 958.08		
Maintenance: Other Expenses		6,000.00	5,986.19	13.81		
Road Construction: Balance from 1957		1,495.44				$ 1,495.44
Pond Filling and Draining: Balance from 1957		548.80				548.80
Grave Liners	$ 1,500.00					
Order 12684	1,284.40	2,784.40	2,229.40	555.00		
Trees and Landscaping: Balance from 1957		257.00				257.00
Out of State Travel		150.00		150.00		
Loam		148.50	148.50			
Purchase of Fill, Order 12828		1,500.00				1,500.00
Wall Reconstruction, Order 12742		3,000.00	549.05			2,450.95
		$59,168.49	$51,239.41	$ 1,676.89		$ 6,252.19
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account:						
Balance from 1957	$ 83.03					
Income, 1958	11,762.51	$11,845.54				
Pay rolls	$10,962.69					
Bills	182.65		$11,145.34			
Balance						$ 700.20

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES

Receipts for Departmental Expenditures:		
Appropriations and Transfers	$59,168.49	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account	11,845.54	$71,014.03
Departmental Expenditures:		
From Appropriations and Transfers	$51,239.41	
From Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account	11,145.34	
Unexpended Balance:		
To Revenue of 1958	1,676.89	
To 1959: Appropriation Accounts $ 6,252.19		
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income A/c 700.20	6,952.39	$71,014.03
Total Net Cash Receipts	$25,672.38	
Credits, Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account	11,762.51	$37,434.89
Net Expenditures: Appropriation Accounts	$50,541.86	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account	11,145.34	61,687.20
Expenditures over Receipts		$24,252.31
Total Pay roll: Maintenance: Salaries & Wages	$42,326.27	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account	10,962.69	$53,288.96

CASH RECEIPTS

Interments		$ 5,765.00
Foundations		1,638.83
Lot Sales	$ 2,901.00	
Less Refunds	310.00	2,591.00
Grave Sales	$ 1,860.00	
Less Refunds	160.00	1,700.00
Perpetual Care	$ 9,208.00	
Less Refunds	245.00	8,963.00
Annual Care		304.55
Miscellaneous		1,500.00
Grave Liners		3,210.00
Total Net Cash Receipts		$25,672.38

REPORT OF THE CITY AUDITOR

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 3, Section 39 of the Revised Ordinances, I herewith submit the annual report of the City Auditor for the year ending December 31, 1958.

I have examined the several trust funds of the Treasurer-Collector and the trust funds of the Trustees of the Public Library together with all securities, coupons and savings accounts in the savings banks and trust companies. All income for the year was accounted for and all expenditures were properly supported by vouchers.

During the fiscal year 1958 all known obligations of the City were paid in full or adequate reserves established to provide for their ultimate payment. All serial loans and short term debt obligations were paid when due. Interest payments on all forms of outstanding debt were promptly made.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur M. Goddard

City Auditor.

FINANCES

The Assessed Valuation of the City		
January 1, 1958		
Real Estate	$47,485,600.00	
Personal Property	3,608,700.00	
	$51,094,300.00	
Rate of Taxation per $1,000.00 of Valuation $63.60.		
Appropriations:		
Budget and Revenue Orders	4,135,074.89	
County Tax	153,426.03	
County Tuberculosis Tax	28,849.77	
Metropolitan Park Tax	44,381.90	
Metropolitan Sewer Tax	105,919.85	
Metropolitan Water Tax	57,895.12	
Smoke Inspection Service Tax	612.78	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts Tax	431.91	
State Examination of Retirement System	1,181.19	
State and County Underestimates of 1957	13,898.93	
Overlays for Abatements	72,657.40	
		$4,614,329.77
Deduct: Estimated Receipts		
Income Tax	205,915.03	
Corporations Tax	147,626.15	
Meals for Old Age Assistance	9,923.33	
City Accounts	981,374.40	
State and County Overestimates from 1957	1,941.38	
		1,346,780.29
		3,267,549.48
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		
Poll Tax	$17,952.00	
Real Estate Tax	3,020,084.16	
Personal Property Tax	229,513.32	
		3,267,549.48

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1958

Assets

Cash:		
General		$575,732.35
Special - Cemetery, Sale of Lots and Graves		19,678.01
Advances for Petty:		
Collector	$150.00	
Park	30.00	
Cemetery	10.00	
School Athletic Program	100.00	
School Lunch Program	150.00	
School Visual Aid Program	50.00	
Library	25.00	515.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1956 - Poll	10.00	
Levy of 1957 - Poll	48.00	
Personal	221.26	
Real	407.82	
Levy of 1958 - Poll	166.00	
Personal	5,265.64	
Real	50,080.11	56,198.83
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1957	3,093.05	
1958	30,645.68	33,738.73
Special Assessments		
Sewer added to Taxes 1958	827.09	
Sidewalks added to Taxes 1958	73.25	
Street added to Taxes 1957	21.52	
" " " " 1958	510.43	
Committed Interest 1957	6.35	
1958	544.85	1,983.49
Tax Titles and Possessions		
Tax Titles	2,769.74	
Tax Title Possessions	18,260.13	21,029.87
Special Taxes		
Estates of Deceased Persons		1,696.77

Liabilities and Reserves

Employees Payroll Deductions		
Federal Withholding Taxes	$30,650.28	
Blue Cross Refund	3,875.73	$34,526.01
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		18,295.09
Tailings		1,675.36
Proceeds of Dog Licenses Due County		19.25
Overestimates 1958		
State Assessments		12,473.36
Guarantee Deposits:		
Private Sewers	1,050.00	
Driveways	535.00	
Individual Walks	919.50	
Water Inside Services	360.00	
Sale of City Possessions	60.00	
Contracts	500.00	3,424.50
Cemetery - Perpetual Care Bequests		4,465.00
Trust Funds - Income		
A. C. Marie Currier	22.70	
Andrew J. Burnett Memorial	660.66	
Levi S. Gould	456.84	
Norman F. Hesseltine	38.69	
Community Civics	80.95	
William E. Bailey	857.28	
William E. Barrett	9.96	
Horatio N. Perkins	179.52	
Sarah E. Cheever	960.13	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	700.20	
Cemetery Flower Fund	56.27	
Oscar Frost Cemetery Fund	198.18	
Colburn Memorial Fund	267.50	4,488.88
Stabilization Fund		4,698.33
Unexpended Appropriations Balances		168,970.00
Sale of Tax Title Possessions Fund		7,276.23

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1958

Assets

Departmental:		
Memorial Building Rentals	$963.90	
Police Ambulance	1,042.65	
Wire Department	231.11	
General Relief	2,675.21	
Old Age Assistance	10,319.37	
Aid to Dependent Children	4,417.73	
Veterans Services	14,905.87	
School Department	87.75	
Cemetery - Perpetual Care	80.00	
Sale of Lots and Graves	110.00	
Public Works- Forestry	527.20	
Private Sewer	1,189.61	
Highway Repairing	50.00	
Traffic Beacons	466.12	
Driveways	62.00	
Water Inside Services	407.84	
City Hall Rentals	50.00	37,586.36
Water:		
Water Rates	31,245.73	
Added to Taxes 1958	661.30	31,907.03
Overlay Deficits		
Levy of 1956	252.00	252.00
Underestimates 1958		
County Assessments		316.67
Court Judgments		84,701.41
		865,336.52

Liabilities and Reserves

Sale of Real Estate Fund		$4,030.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots and Graves and Accumulated Income		22,014.01
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:		
Mt. Hood Memorial Park	$52,695.21	
Library - Fines	2,222.63	
Duplicate Book	350.80	
Parking Meter - Street	3,281.82	
Off Street	1,334.27	59,884.73
Federal Grants:		
Administration-Old Age Assistance	2,979.01	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,028.03	
Disability Assistance	96.78	
Assistance - Old Age Assistance	135.68	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,913.27	
Disability Assistance	397.35	7,550.12
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	33,738.73	
Tax Title and Possessions	21,029.87	
Special Taxes	1,696.77	
Special Assessments	1,983.49	
Departmental	37,586.36	
Water	31,907.03	127,942.25
Reserved for Petty Cash Advances		515.00
Overlay Reserve for Abatements:		
Levy of 1957	1,798.05	
Levy of 1958	2,842.48	4,640.53
Reimbursement from State for School Construction		12,302.81
Federal Assistance-School Public Law 718		15,052.81
Surplus Revenue (Excess and Deficiency)		346,499.99
Reserve Fund - Overlay Surplus		4,592.26
		865,336.52

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1958

Assets			Liabilities and Reserves		
Non-Revenue Accounts					
Non Revenue Cash		$3,811.59	Unexpended Balances: Addition to Winthrop School		$2,580.93
			Fence- Beebe School		262.80
			Construction- Beebe School		967.86
		3,811.59			3,811.59
Deferred Revenue Accounts					
Apportioned Assessments - Not Due			Apportioned Sewer Assessments Revenue		
Sewer	$161,227.98		Due in 1959	$13,003.03	
Sidewalk	20,724.95		1960	12,470.95	
Street	195,078.68	$377,031.61	1961	11,764.00	
			1962	11,201.00	
			1963	10,672.00	
			1964	9,990.00	
			1965	9,743.00	
			1966	9,698.00	
			1967	9,678.00	
			1968	9,663.00	
			1969	9,628.00	
			1970	9,618.00	
			1971	9,581.00	
			1972	5,761.00	
			1973	5,724.00	
			1974	5,041.00	
			1975	4,853.00	
			1976	1,993.00	
			1977	1,092.00	
			1978	54.00	161,227.98
			Apportioned Sidewalk Assessments Revenue		
			Due in 1959	2,874.95	
			1960	2,506.00	
			1961	2,339.00	
			1962	2,033.00	
			1963	1,022.00	
			1964	799.00	
			1965	789.00	
			1966	784.00	
			1967	784.00	
			1968	774.00	
			1969	769.00	

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1958

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves		
	Deferred Revenue Accounts			
		Apportioned Sidewalk Revenue (Continued)		
		Due in 1970	$769.00	
		1971	753.00	
		1972	701.00	
		1973	696.00	
		1974	686.00	
		1975	681.00	
		1976	599.00	
		1977	294.00	
		1978	72.00	$20,724.95
		Apportioned Street Assessments Revenue		
		Due in 1959	15,611.68	
		1960	14,727.00	
		1961	14,591.00	
		1962	14,591.00	
		1963	13,601.00	
		1964	9,858.00	
		1965	9,811.00	
		1966	9,757.00	
		1967	9,698.00	
		1968	9,629.00	
		1969	9,618.00	
		1970	9,600.00	
		1971	9,585.00	
		1972	9,575.00	
		1973	9,521.00	
		1974	9,505.00	
		1975	7,539.00	
		1976	4,682.00	
		1977	2,543.00	
		1978	1,036.00	195,078.68
	377,031.61			377,031.61
Net Funded or Fixed Debt Inside Debt Limit:	Debt Accounts			
		Serial Loans		
General 240,000.00		Inside Debt Limit: School Construction		240,000.00

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1958

Assets

Trust and Investment Funds

Cash and Securities	
In Custody of City Treasurer	$410,548.32
In Custody of Memorial Building Trustees	5,467.29
In Custody of Library Trustees	47,445.69
	463,461.30

Liabilities

Trust Fund and Investment Accounts

In Custody of City Treasurer:		
Welfare Funds		
A. C. Marie Currier	$25,781.84	
Andrew J. Burnett Memorial	2,000.00	
George Emerson	21,250.52	
School Funds		
Community Civics	50.00	
Levi S. Gould	1,000.00	
Norman F. Hesseltine	100.00	
Sarah E. Fitch	214.65	
Margaret B. Wing Memorial	595.23	
Omicron Delta Scholarship	5,404.43	
Stalker Scholarship	13,668.90	
Adelaide Colburn Memorial	6,000.00	
Library Funds		
William E. Bailey	2,500.00	
William E. Barrett	75.00	
Horatio W. Perkins	500.00	
Park Funds		
Sarah A. Chever	1,500.00	
Memorial Building Funds		
John C. F. Slayton Organ	10,000.00	
Cemetery Funds		
Perpetual Care	314,792.30	
Samuel Daniel Perpetual Care	100.00	
Wyoming Cemetery Flowers	3,419.25	
Oscar F. Frost	1,184.63	
Other Funds		
Stabilization	346.68	
200th Anniversary	64.89	$410,548.32
In Custody of Memorial Building Trustees		
John C. F. Slayton Organ Fund Income	5,467.29	5,467.29
In Custody of Library Trustees		
Sarah A. Chever	843.03	
Jabez Dyer	1,390.34	
Sarah E. Odlin	2,069.60	
Stephen C. Deering	540.01	
Felix A. Gendrot	42,039.82	
Lizzie T. P. Smith	562.89	47,445.69
		463,461.30

CITY AUDITOR

CASH STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1958

Cash, January 1, 1958		
Revenue	$548,002.19	
Non-revenue	3,867.51	$551,869.70
Add: Receipts in 1958		
Taxes	3,204,004.98	
Estimated Receipts Account, per Schedule A	1,512,950.06	
Tax Titles Redeemed	6,130.62	
Federal Assistance for School Aid	15,480.00	
State and County Aid for Highways, Chapter 90	7,857.89	
State Aid for Highways, Chapter 718	27,516.35	
Temporary Loans	1,400,000.00	
County Dog Grant for Library	2,870.04	
Tailings	198.63	
Dog License Collection for County	3,657.00	
Trust Fund Receipts	6,559.63	
Cemetery Trust Funds	11,762.51	
Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts	40,626.68	
Library - Fines and Duplicate Book	5,959.93	
Parking Meter Fees - Street	9,343.96	
Off Street	4,861.84	
Sale of Lots and Graves	4,761.00	
Perpetual Care Receipts	9,224.00	
Federal Grants for Welfare and Recovery	240,110.41	
State Grants for School Construction	63,756.53	
Guarantee Deposits	5,853.38	
Withholding Tax Deductions	349,730.36	
School Lunch Receipts and Grants	81,850.29	
School Physical Education Receipts	11,060.25	
School-Adult Education-Receipts and Grants	782.00	
From Stabilization Fund - Construction	56,745.00	
Miscellaneous	8,392.90	
Receipts Applied to Refunds	16,468.37	
Payments Applied to Refunds	7,025.27	
From Sale of Lots - Cemetery	4,500.00	
		7,120,039.88
		7,671,909.58
Deduct:		
Expenditures per Schedule B	4,681,256.80	
" " " C	2,411,108.84	
		7,092,365.64
Cash: December 31, 1958		
Revenue	575,732.35	
Non-revenue	3,811.59	
		$ 579,543.94

CITY AUDITOR

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS
SCHEDULE A
Year Ending December 31,1958

Income Tax		
Chapter 70	$158,806.43	
State Apportionment	97,960.00	$256,766.43
Corporation Tax	172,945.91	172,945.91
Old Age Meal Tax	13,052.01	13,052.01
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1954	4.54	
1955	29.35	
1956	368.02	
1957	74,431.14	
1958	366,192.69	441,025.74
Licenses and Permits		
City Clerk - Garage	2,128.00	
Marriage	568.00	
Miscellaneous	697.50	
State - Peddlers	25.00	
Health - Milk, Cream, etc.	208.00	
Mayor - Amusement	74.00	
Building	1,713.00	
Gas	194.50	
Plumbing	791.50	
Fire	42.25	
Police	300.00	6,741.75
Fines	1,396.75	1,396.75
Special Assessments		
Sewer - Paid in Advance	5,415.86	
1957	697.95	
1958	12,790.18	18,903.99
Sidewalk - Paid in Advance	1,829.11	
1957	38.00	
1958	3,342.49	5,209.60
Street - Paid in Advance	9,080.19	
1957	448.05	
1958	14,575.26	24,103.50
Farm Animal Excise		9.69
General Government		
Auditor	7.95	
Treasurer- Collector - Costs	952.05	
Tax Title - Costs	30.00	
Mortgage Liens	1,179.00	
Betterment Releases	16.00	
Receipts	30.00	
Paraplegic Veterans	1,679.04	
City Clerk - Mortgages	1,780.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	1,082.75	
Fees	631.75	
Security Agreements	708.00	
Board of Appeal	340.00	
Election and Registration	540.00	
Planning Board	30.00	
Public Works	3,000.66	
Taxes on Estates	1,427.54	13,434.74
Protection of Persons and Property		
Police - Ambulance Receipts	2,449.05	
Miscellaneous Receipts	1.40	
Fire - Miscellaneous Receipts -Sale of Truck	100.00	
Weights and Measures	239.10	
Forestry	1,360.92	
Building	8.89	
Civil Defense (Federal)	467.25	4,626.61

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS (CONTINUED)
Year Ending December 31, 1958

Health and Sanitation		
Health - Miscellaneous	$241.00	
Bus Fares	214.70	
Tuberculosis	792.72	
Private Sewers	10,488.05	$11,736.47
Highways		
Highway Repairing	124.29	
Driveways	2,795.68	
Individual Walks	6.67	2,926.64
Charities		
General Relief	6,499.46	
Aid to Dependent Children	12,182.26	
Disability Assistance	14,647.33	
Recoveries	367.80	33,696.85
Old Age		
Recovery	1,058.19	
Old Age Assistance	212,990.95	214,049.14
Veterans Benefits		
Veterans Benefits	13,145.15	
Receipts	633.50	13,778.65
School		
Rentals	460.00	
Tuition	7,861.00	
Receipts	3,827.00	
Vocational Education (State)	3,470.55	
Retarded Children (State)	9,891.78	25,510.33
Library	7.00	7.00
Recreation		
Memorial Building Rentals	3,736.60	
Recreation	102.14	
Park Receipts	87.37	
Memorial Building Receipts	53.47	3,979.58
Public Service		
Water Rates	189,964.00	
Added 1957	621.66	
" 1958	10,873.82	
Inside Service	6,751.38	
Hydrant Rental	11,360.00	219,570.86
Cemeteries		
Miscellaneous Receipts	12,113.83	
Care of Lots	304.55	12,418.38
Interest - Taxes		
Taxes	3,317.92	
Assessment	37.29	
Motor Vehicle Excise	477.67	
Tax Titles	199.20	
Committed Interest 1957	457.35	
1958	12,570.01	17,059.44
TOTAL		1,512,950.06

CITY AUDITOR

SCHEDULE B

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1958

	Available	Expended	Reserved For Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency.
General Government				
Aldermen				
Salary of Clerk	$2,930.50	$2,930.43		.07
Other Expense	3,900.00	2,987.73	$75.00	$837.27
Mayor				
Salaries and Wages	9,349.16	9,219.84		129.32
Other Expense	1,600.00	1,599.29		.71
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00
Urban Renewal & Survey	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Auditor				
Salaries and Wages	17,104.57	17,033.07		71.50
Other Expense	1,397.00	1,330.70	60.00	6.30
Out of State Travel	150.00	57.60		92.40
Purchase of Accounting Machine	6,100.00		6,100.00	
Treasurer-Collector				
Salaries and Wages	25,923.32	25,801.46		121.86
Other Expense	6,600.00	6,576.48		23.52
Land Court Procedure	50.00	48.82		1.18
Certification of Bonds	500.00	451.83		48.17
New Equipment	356.25	324.00		32.25
Assessors				
Salaries and Wages	18,552.83	18,498.59		54.24
Other Expense	3,245.08	3,242.26		2.82
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00		
City Clerk				
Salaries and Wages	17,561.33	17,488.90		72.43
Other Expense	2,150.00	2,125.99		24.01
Vital Statistics	500.00	475.22		24.78
Out of State Travel	- - --			
City Solicitor				
Salaries and Wages	4,629.00	4,628.94		.06
Suits and Claims	300.00	176.48		123.52
Other Expense	300.00	297.17		2.83
Office Expense	2,750.00	2,750.00		
Election and Registration				
Salaries and Wages	13,276.26	12,941.55		334.71
Other Expense	6,347.86	6,256.98		90.88
Personnel Board				
Salaries and Wages	1,963.25	1,963.25		
Other Expense	525.00	337.27	21.52	166.21
Planning Board				
Salaries and Wages	562.50	561.70		.80
Other Expense	1,592.00	1,479.03		112.97
Fiscal Plan of Melrose	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Print Revised Regulations	165.00	165.00		
Studies, etc. and Master Plan	5,000.00		5,000.00	
Workmens Compensation				
Administration	1,011.25	558.51		452.74
Compensation	11,000.00	5,391.31		5,608.69

General Government (Continued)	Available	Expended	Reserved For Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency.
Board of Appeal				
Salaries and Wages	$310.25	$310.25		
Other Expense	210.00	209.76		.24
Property Valuation Board	489.18	141.78	347.40	
Fence Viewers	15.00			15.00
Public Works				
Salaries and Wages	26,200.49	26,110.98		89.51
Other Expense	2,085.16	1,617.63	12.85	454.68
Vacations	12,480.07	12,480.07		
Holidays	8,600.52	7,877.73		722.79
City Yard Improvements	5,521.00	5,452.99		68.01
New Equipment	29,190.00	27,729.63		1,460.37
Overhead Expense	475.00*	1,155.05**	326.40	353.65
Sick Leave	12,064.73	11,749.34		315.39
Parking Meter - Salaries	4,000.00	3,950.65		49.35A
" " Maintenance	750.00	574.66		175.34A
Parking Area Rentals	343.44	343.44		
Out of State Travel	19.15	19.15		
Engineers				
Salaries and Wages	24,949.45	24,945.90		3.55
Other Expense	2,000.00	1,607.49	15.65	376.86
City Hall				
Salaries and Wages	7,367.12	7,335.84		31.28
Other Expense	8,801.01	8,787.15		13.86
Land Taking and Development-Rear Fire Station	7,000.00	1,650.44	5,349.56	
Memorial Building				
Salaries and Wages	7,104.04	7,095.32		8.72
Other Expense	7,535.00	7,052.90		482.10
Remodel Lobby	3,800.00	3,601.14		198.86
Capital Improvements	2,000.00	1,142.38	647.00	210.62
Total General Government	342,052.77	308,480.97	19,955.38	13,616.42
Protection of Persons and Property				
Police				
Salaries and Wages	239,506.73	232,189.56		7,317.17
Other Expense	4,700.00	4,404.62		295.38
Equipment and Repairs	6,500.00	6,149.89		350.11
Indemnification	100.00	82.00		18.00
Parking Meter - Salaries and Expense	5,027.97	4,763.78		264.19A
Maintenance of Building	6,652.64	6,449.94		202.70
School Traffic Supervisors	14779.91	14,159.03		620.88
Uniforms	1,800.00	1,795.70		4.30
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00
New Cruisers	3,100.00	3,088.00		12.00
Fire				
Salaries and Wages	254,077.00	250,275.31		3,801.69
Other Expense	4,800.00	4,691.67		108.33
Equipment and Repairs	6,867.12	6,743.69		123.43
Repairs to Building	2,000.00	1,928.73		71.27
Fuel and Light	4,300.00	4,241.87		58.13
Paint and Letter Ladder 1	1,505.50	1,334.45		171.05
Hydrant Rental	11,360.00	11,360.00		
New Hose	1,500.00	1,494.93		5.07
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00
New Pumping Engine	18,892.66	18,270.00		622.66
Purchase of Utility Truck	4,500.00	4,250.61		249.39

	Available	Expended	Reserved for Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency.
Protection of Persons and Property (Continued)				
Building				
Salaries and Wages	$14,138.00	$14,052.05		$85.95
Other Expense	1,000.00	976.92		23.08
Wire				
Salaries and Wages	14,638.36	14,400.87		237.49
Other Expense	275.00	268.87		6.13
Police Signal Maintenance	1,500.00	1,497.38		2.62
Fire Alarm Maintenance	3,000.00	2,984.35		15.65
Civil Defense				
Salaries and Wages	830.00	829.98		.02
Other Expense	2,717.11	1,861.49	855.62	
Weights and Measures				
Salaries and Wages	1,595.67	1,595.67		
Other Expenses	525.00	457.93		67.07
Forestry				
Care of Trees, Insect Pests	30,610.45	30,311.68		298.77
Dog Officer				
Salaries and Wages	742.00	741.96		.04
Other Expenses	500.00	390.00	78.00	32.00
Total Protection of Persons and Property	664,341.12	648,042.93	933.62	15,364.57
Health and Sanitation				
Health				
Salaries and Wages	7,724.50	7,707.12		17.38
Other Expense	1,770.00	1,765.92		4.08
Tuberculosis	3,500.00	3,096.87		403.13
School Physicians	1,855.50	1,855.26		.24
Public Health Nurses	13,582.89	13,121.76		461.13
Inspector of Animals	835.75	835.74		.01
Sanitary Inspector	5,222.00	5,200.73		21.27
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases	600.00	536.59		63.41
Burial of Dead Animals	400.00	399.00		1.00
Immunization of Dogs	350.00	301.83		48.17
Transportation-Dental Clinic	828.00	677.00		151.00
Dental Clinic-Admin. Expense	1,000.00	960.71		39.29
Salaries	8,300.00	8,295.78		4.22
Care of Premature Infants	1,000.00	650.63		349.37
Laboratory, etc. Expense	350.00	192.47		157.53
Mosquito Suppression	2,200.00	1,370.76		829.24
Polio Clinic	408.44	382.24		26.20
Out of State Travel	100.00	54.00		46.00
Sanitation				
Sewer & Surface Drain Construction	22,324.15	21,389.07		935.08
Windsor St. Drain	3,631.02	1,436.77	2,194.25	
Sewer Maintenance	14,094.22	13,039.56		1,054.66
Sewer Construction	31,250.00	11,653.19	17,080.65	2,516.16
Private Sewers	13,182.89	11,703.78		1,479.11
Sewer Connections-General	193.12	89.11		104.01
Surface Drain Maintenance	19,318.61	17,541.50		1,777.11
Collection of Ashes, etc.	51,717.15	50,742.35		974.80
Development for Dump	5,152.51	5,027.58		124.93
Drain Dump - Pine Banks	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Collection of Garbage	34,125.00	34,083.34		41.66
Street Cleaning	16,010.13	13,893.68		2,116.45
Total Health and Sanitation	262,525.88	228,004.34	20,774.90	13,746.64

	Available	Expended	Reserved for Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency.
Highways and Bridges				
Highway Division				
Repairing	$40,880.00	$37,852.51	$1.60	$3,025.89
Chap. 718-Resurfacing	29,725.76	29,361.20	364.56	
Traffic Signs	6,135.00	6,105.81		29.19
Traffic Survey	200.00			200.00
Construction	90,895.26	65,749.42	8,049.02	17,096.82
Chapter 90	10,750.00		10,750.00	
Washington St.Edgestones	100.00	100.00		
Chapter 91	812.66	812.66		
Sidewalks and Curbings				
Individual Walks	6,542.00	2,567.84		3,974.16
Driveways	2,960.00	2,778.52		181.48
Repair of Walks	8,317.00	7,249.48	370.98	696.54
Continuous Walks	12,761.48	5,128.94	6,862.60	769.94
Snow Removal and Sanding	60,250.00	53,244.20	100.00	6,905.80
Street Lighting	44,065.00	44,064.39		.61
Traffic Beacons	3,475.00	3,325.99		149.01
Automotive				
Salaries and Wages	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Other Expenses	474.67*	6,478.40**	1,350.51	4,653.22
Total Highways and Bridges	319,394.49	253,862.56	27,849.27	37,682.66
Public Welfare				
General Administration	18,659.50	18,602.23		57.27
General Relief	17,500.00	16,050.33		1,449.67
Disability Assistance	24,200.00	23,724.76		475.24
Old Age Assistance	280,000.00	279,955.72		44.28
Aid to Depend.Children	24,000.00	22,624.10		1,375.90
Out of State Travel	125.00	110.00		15.00
Total Public Welfare	364,484.50	361,067.14		3,417.36
Veterans Services				
Salaries and Wages	10,415.68	10,369.97		45.71
Other Expense	1,150.00	1,139.38		10.62
Veterans Benefits	38,000.00	35,376.29		2,623.71
Veterans Burials	500.00	325.00		175.00
Total Veterans Services	50,065.68	47,210.64		2,855.04
Education				
Salaries and Wages	1,411,271.00	1,406,541.07		4,729.93
Other General Expense	10,850.00	10,795.50	43.45	11.05
Textbooks & Supplies	78,628.00	77,241.57	876.37	510.06
Plant Maint. & Operation	144,235.00	144,026.04	24.25	184.71
Smith Hughes Fund	174.00		174.00	
Adult Education	9,173.00	8,721.96		451.04
Out of State Travel	450.00	301.27		148.73
School Lunch-Elementary	38,236.67	38,609.75	373.08*	
High	49,563.60	51,088.02	1,524.42*	
Physical Education and Athletic Fund	38,025.03	27,168.23	10,856.80	
High School Grading	125.66			125.66
Interior Fire Alarm	301.06			301.06
Grading and Drainage	221.17	41.16		180.01
Total Education	1,781,254.19	1,764,534.57	10,077.37	6,642.25

	Available	Expended	Reserved for Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency,	
Library					
Salaries and Wages	$56,025.00	$56,022.27		$2.73	
Other Expenses	2,650.00	2,596.94		53.06	
Books	11,870.04	11,864.48		5.56	B
Fuel and Light	1,650.00	1,636.88		13.12	
Building & Janitor's Supplies	1,312.95	1,232.11		80.84	
Binding	1,700.00	1,699.49		.51	B
Rent - Highland Branch	1,900.00	1,886.80		13.20	
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00			
Roof Repairs	500.00	57.00		443.00	
New Equipment	650.00	650.00			
Lights in Upper Lobby	650.00	415.84		234.16	
Total Library	79,057.99	78,211.81		846.18	
Recreation					
Pine Banks Park					
Salaries and Wages	11,822.91	11,398.04		424.87	
Other Expense	3,050.00	3,017.33		32.67	
Out of State Travel	75.00	75.00			
New Equipment	700.00	695.00		5.00	
Lighting Maintenance	250.00	248.31		1.69	
Park					
General Administration Salaries and Wages	16,326.02	16,326.02			
All Other Salaries, Wages	33,065.00	32,661.09		403.91	
Holidays, Labor Vacations	4,385.00	3,787.84		597.16	
Administration Expense	1,000.00	688.19		311.81	
All Other Expense	7,000.00	6,711.50		288.50	
Christmas Decorations	300.00	180.43		119.57	
Golf Maintenance and Operation	36,450.00	28,363.03		8,086.97	C
Recreational Building	11,205.00	10,161.11		1,043.89	C
Athletic Field-Salaries	5,250.00	4,827.09		422.91	
" " Maintenance	3,000.00	2,850.63	13.50	135.87	
Ski Tow Operation	1,500.00	598.21		901.79	C
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00			
Tar Roads - Mt. Hood	500.00	486.63		13.37	
New Equipment	2,290.00	2,289.36		.64	
Recreation - Salaries	7,098.72	6,908.95		189.77	
Other Expense	2,545.00	2,510.48	24.50	10.02	
Hallowe'en, etc.	600.00	598.68		1.32	
Busses to Pool	1,655.00	1,655.00			
Gasoline	75.00	74.89		.11	
Total Recreation	150,292.65	137,262.81	38.00	12,991.84	
Celebrations					
Memorial Day					
Band	300.00	300.00			
Decorate Graves of Union Veterans	400.00	384.13		15.87	
American Legion	400.00	299.82		100.18	
Veterans of Foreign Wars	400.00	400.00			
Disabled American Veterans	50.00	20.00		30.00	
Christmas Lighting					
City Hall	810.00	802.45		7.55	
Memorial Bldg. Lighting	250.00	250.00			
Main Street	550.00	550.00			
Draftees Recognition	200.00	178.00		22.00	
Total Celebrations	3,360.00	3,184.40		175.60	

	Available	Expended	Reserved For Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency,	
Pensions					
Non Contributory	$104,423.18	$100,361.90		$4,061.28	
Contributory	53,862.96	53,862.96			
Total Pensions	158,286.14	154,224.86		4,061.28	
Public Service Enterprises					
Water Maintenance and Operation	78,772.00	76,230.29	1,812.90	728.81	
Water Construction	31,043.36	31,024.31		19.05	
New Water Meters	1,500.00	1,131.34	275.10	93.56	
Water Inside Service	7,176.00	6,148.32		1,027.68	
Total Pub.Service Enterprises	118,491.36	114,534.26	2,088.00	1,869.10	
Cemeteries					
Maintenance					
Salaries and Wages	42,686.51	41,728.43		958.08	
Other Expense	6,000.00	5,986.19		13.81	
Grave Liners	2,784.40	2,229.40		555.00	
Drain and Fill Pond	548.80		548.80		
Road Construction	1,495.44		1,495.44		
Install Heating System	255.00		255.00		
Planting Trees and Landscaping	257.00		257.00		
Loam	148.50	148.50			
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00	
Rebuild Wall	3,000.00	549.05	2,450.95		
Purchase of Fill	1,500.00		1,500.00		
Total Cemeteries	58,825.65	50,641.57	6,507.19	1,676.89	
Municipal Indebtedness					
School Construction	120,000.00	120,000.00			
Interest					
Revenue Notes	12,500.00	10,537.23		1,962.77	
Bonded Debt	4,200.00	4,200.00			
Total Interest	16,700.00	14,737.23		1,962.77	
Unclassified					
Rental of Quarters					
Veterans of Foreign Wars	700.00	700.00			
American Legion	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Disabled American Veterans	125.00			125.00	
Amvets	400.00	400.00			
Insurance	22,755.00	21,796.23		958.77	
Claims	1,624.67	1,624.67			
Print City Reports	402.14	402.14			
Ell Pond Improvement	12,500.00	10,889.06	495.00	1,115.94	
Stabilization Fund	55,524.27	55,524.27			
Refund to Teachers Ret.Fund	174.07	174.07			
Land Takings					
Faulkner Place	4,993.37			4,993.37	D
Winthrop School	1,244.98	550.00		694.98	
Potter Street	25.00			25.00	E
Potter Street	4,685.00	11.67		4,673.33	E
Burnett Street	806.75	6.33	800.42		
Faulkner Place	92.15		92.15		
Larrabee Place	93.15		93.15		
Ashland Place & Melrose St	24515.00	15.46	24,499.54		

Unclassified (Continued)	Available	Expended	Reserved For Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency.
School Construction				
Horace Mann School	92.38		92.38	
Demolish Gooch School	1,960.75	1,524.44	436.31	
Roosevelt Sch-Plans	2,500.00	2,500.00		
" " Construction	173,105.02	169,582.94	3,522.08	
High School-				
Architects Fees	65,625.00	21,875.00	43,750.00	
Test Pits, etc.	1,000.00	330.00		670.00 E
Site Development	7,703.72	1,818.48	5,885.24	
Demolish House 31 Potter St.	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Bills Payable	23,017.55	21,830.54	80.00	1,107.01
Total Unclassified	407,664.97	312,555.30	80,746.27	14,363.40
Court Judgments		84,701.41	84,701.41*	

LEGEND

* Debit
** Credit
A To Parking Meter Receipts
B To Library - Fines
C To Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts
D To Tax Title Possessions
E To Stabilization Fund

RECAPITULATION

	Available	Expended	Reserved For Expenditure	To Excess & Deficiency
General Government	$342,052.77	$308,480.97	$19,955.38	$13,616.42
Protection-Persons & Property	664,341.12	648,042.93	933.62	15,364.57
Health and Sanitation	262,525.88	228,004.34	20,774.90	13,746.64
Highways and Bridges	319,394.49	253,862.56	27,849.27	37,682.66
Public Welfare	364,484.50	361,067.14		3,417.36
Veterans Services	50,065.68	47,210.64		2,855.04
Education	1,781,254.19	$1,764,534.57	10,077.37	6,642.25
Library	79,057.99	78,211.81		846.18
Recreation	150,292.65	137,262.81	38.00	12,991.84
Celebrations	3,360.00	3,184.40		175.60
Pensions	158,286.14	154,224.86		4,061.28
Public Service Enterprises	118,491.36	114,534.26	2,088.00	1,869.10
Cemeteries	58,825.65	50,641.57	6,507.19	1,676.89
Municipal Indebtedness	120,000.00	120,000.00		
Interest	16,700.00	14,737.23		1,962.77
Unclassified	407,664.97	312,555.30	80,746.27	14,363.40
Court Judgments		84,701.41	84,701.41*	
To Excess & Deficiency				110,382.70
To Parking Meter Receipts				488.88
To Mt. Hood Park Receipts				10,032.65
To Library Fines				6.07
To Tax Title Possessions				4,993.37
To Stabilization Fund				5,368.33
Total	$4,896,797.39	$4,681,256.80	$84,268.59	$131,272.00

SCHEDULE C

Miscellaneous Expenditures

Account		Amount
Temporary Loans Paid		$1,400,000.00
County Dog Tax		3,683.00
State and County Taxes		
Metropolitan Park	$39,057.22	
Sewer	98,796.08	
Water	57,895.12	
State - Smoke Inspection	587.87	
Audit	431.91	
Retirement System	1,181.19	
County-	153,742.70	
Tuberculosis Hospital	28,849.77	
		380,541.86
Trust Funds		6,204.48
Cemetery Perpetual Care		11,145.34
Library - Duplicate Book		966.53
Paid to Fund: Sale of Lots	4,462.00	
Perpetual Care	9,483.00	
		13,945.00
From Federal Grants:		
Administration	13,013.90	
Old Age Assistance	173,405.25	
Aid to Dependent Children	18,277.67	
Disability Assistance	14,259.93	
		218,956.75
School - Public Law 874		427.19
Withholding Tax		346,597.60
Refunds: Guarantee Deposits	4,379.88	
Abated Taxes, etc.	16,468.37	
All Other	7,025.27	
Tailings		27,873.52
		711.65
Non-revenue		
Beebe School		55.92
		2,411,108.84

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK

January 31, 1959

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The report of the City Clerk's Department for the year 1958 follows:

The amounts received by the City Clerk for fees for official services from January 1, 1958, to December 31, 1958, were as follows:-

For recording and indexing fishing, hunting, sporting and trapping licenses	$ 163.75
For recording and indexing dog licenses	468.00
For recording marriage certificates	568.00
For licenses to keep and store gasoline and other inflammable materials, and for filing certificates of registration of such licenses	2,132.00
For miscellaneous licenses	738.00
For copies of records, etc.	1,082.00
For recording and indexing mortgages of personal property and other instruments	1,780.00
For filing financing statements and copies of security agreements	708.00
Total Receipts	$7,639.75
Less refunds	45.00
Total net receipts paid into City Treasury	$7,594.75

The sum of $4,125.00 has been received by this department for dog licenses issued from January 1, 1958, to December 31, 1958, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:-

For 906 male dogs at $2.00 each	$1,812.00
*For 117 female dogs at $5.00 each	570.00
*For 850 spayed female dogs at $2.00 each	1,698.00
For 2 kennel licenses at $10.00 each	20.00
For 1 kennel license at $25	25.00
Total received for dog licenses	$4,125.00

*Three female dog licenses and one spayed female dog license were issued without charge for seeing-eye dogs.

Of the above amount received for dog licenses, $3,657.00 was paid to the County of Middlesex, and $468.00, representing the Clerk's fees, has been paid into the City Treasury.

CITY CLERK

The sum of $2,170.75 has been received for fishing, hunting, sporting and trapping licenses issued from January 1, 1958, to December 31, 1958, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:-

Resident Citizen Fishing licenses, 358 at $3.25 each	$1,163.50
Resident Citizen Hunting licenses, 130 at $3.25 each	422.50
Resident Citizen Sporting licenses, 74 at $5.25 each	388.50
Resident Citizen Minor Fishing licenses, 34 at $1.25 each	42.50
Resident Citizen Female Fishing licenses, 51 at $2.25 each	114.75
Resident Citizen Trapping license, 1 at $7.75	7.75
Special Non-Resident Fishing licenses, 5 at $2.75 each ..	13.75
Non-Resident Citizen or Alien Fishing licenses, 2 at $7.75 each	15.00
Duplicate licenses, 4 at 50 cents each	2.00
Resident Citizen (over 70) Sporting licenses, 39 (free)	00.00
Total	$2,170.25

Of the above amount, $2,007.00 has been paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Fisheries and Game, and the balance of $163.25, representing the Clerk's fees, has been paid into the City Treasury.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded

Children born in Melrose of Melrose parents	331
Children born outside of Melrose of Melrose parents	341
Children born in Melrose of non-resident parents	893
Total number of births recorded	1,465

Marriages Recorded

Both parties residents and solemnized in Melrose	45
Both parties residents and solemnized elsewhere in state	16
Both parties residents and solemnized out of state	1
One party resident and solemnized in Melrose	82
One party resident and solemnized elsewhere in state	124
One party resident and solemnized out of state	7
Both parties non-residents and solemnized in Melrose	5
Total number of marriages recorded	280

Deaths Recorded

Melrose residents occurring in Melrose	218
Melrose residents occurring elsewhere	96
Non-residents occurring in Melrose	149
Non-residents occurring elsewhere and buried in Melrose	1
Total number of deaths recorded	464

Raymond H. Greenlaw

Raymond H. Greenlaw, City Clerk

REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

The Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as City Treasurer and Collector for the year 1958.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Homer Buttrick
City Treasurer-Collector

CITY TREASURER
CASH STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1958

Cash in Bank and Office, January 1, 1958	$ 551,869.70
Receipts, January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958	7,120,039.88
	$ 7,671,909.58
Payments, January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958	$ 7,092,365.64
Balance, Cash in Bank and Office, December 31, 1958	579,543.94
	$ 7,671,909.58

LOANS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Authorized by Aldermanic Order #12535	$ 1,400,000.00
Notes paid in 1958	1,400,000.00
Balance due in 1959	000.00
Rate of discount, average	1.10%

TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Balance, January 1, 1958	$2,414.80	
Added during 1958	6,991.59	
		$ 9,406.39
Redemptions and Foreclosures	$6,636.65	
Balance, December 31, 1958	2,769.74	
		$ 9,406.39

FUNDS HELD BY THE CITY TREASURER

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

	CASH	SECURITIES	TOTAL
In fund, January 1, 1958	$ 23,619.55	$ 280,749.00	$ 304,368.55
In fund, December 31, 1958	37,852.55	275,749.00	313,601.55

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

City of Melrose, Collections		$ 9,083.00	
Securities called or sold		5,000.00	
Premiums received		150.00	
Cash on hand, January 1, 1958			
Savings Banks	$ 28,129.00		
Melrose Trust Company	6,490.55	34,619.55	$ 48,852.55

PAYMENTS

Securities Purchased:			
Consolidated Edison Company		$ 5,000.00	
Melrose Cooperative Bank Shares		6,000.00	
Cash on hand, December 31, 1958			
Savings Banks	$ 37,298.00		
Melrose Trust Company	554.55	37,852.55	$ 48,852.55

INCOME ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 1,988.80	
Income from Securities	11,201.95	$ 13,190.75

PAYMENTS

Interest paid on Securities purchased	$ 227.49	
Melrose Trust Company, Box Rent	10.00	
City of Melrose, Income	11,762.51	
Balance, December 31, 1958	1,190.75	$ 13,190.75

SECURITIES IN FUND

Bank Stocks	$ 27,749.00	
Cooperative Bank Certificates	42,000.00	
Railroad Bonds	53,000.00	
Government Bonds	9,000.00	
Utility Bonds	144,000.00	
Savings Banks	37,298.00	
Cash uninvested	554.55	$ 313,601.55

CURRIER FUND
(Welfare Department)

Amount in fund December 31, 1958		$ 24,650.89
Securities:		
Charlestown 5¢ Savings Bank	$ 619.77	
Eliot Savings Bank	647.01	
Malden Savings Bank	829.98	
Melrose Savings Bank	14,487.13	
New York Central Railroad	2,000.00	
19 Shares 1st National Bank	1,067.00	
Virginia Electric Power Company	5,000.00	$ 24,650.89

INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 88.00	
Income from investments	905.50	
Paid, City of Melrose		770.00
Melrose Trust Company, Box Rent		5.00
Balance, December 31, 1958		218.50
	$ 993.50	$ 993.50

STALKER SCHOLARSHIP FUND
(School Department)

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Amount in fund, December 31, 1958		$ 13,187.90
Securities:		
Pacific Gas & Electric Company	$ 1,000.00	
American Telephone & Telegraph	3,000.00	
Public Service of New Hampshire	1,000.00	
Arkansas Power & Light Company	2,000.00	
Commonwealth Edison Company	5,000.00	
Montana Power Company	1,000.00	
Melrose Savings Bank	187.90	$ 13,187.90

INCOME ACCOUNT

Receipts		
Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 254.80	
Income from Securities	526.20	
Payments		
School Department, Tuition		$ 300.00
Balance, December 31, 1958		481.00
	$ 781.00	$ 781.00

MARGARET BAKEMAN WING MEMORIAL AWARD FUND
(School Department)

3 Shares American Telephone & Telegraph Stock

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 117.53	
Income	37.70	
Paid School Department		$ 25.00
Balance, December 31, 1958		130.23
	$ 155.23	$ 155.23

GEORGE EMERSON FUND
(Welfare Department)

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 19,876.26	
Income from George Emerson Estate	2,906.72	
Income	641.20	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 3,956.68
Balance, December 31, 1958		19,467.50
	$ 23,424.18	$ 23,424.18

OMICRON DELTA SCHOLARSHIP FUND
(School Department)
Fund Amount $ 5,313.61

Income received	$ 152.42	
Balance, December 31, 1958		$ 152.42
	$ 152.42	$ 152.42

•STABILIZATION FUND

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 1,531.32	
Received from City of Melrose	55,524.27	
Income	36.09	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 56,745.00
Balance, December 31, 1958		346.68
	$ 57,091.68	$ 57,091.68

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Balance, January 1, 1958	$360,000.00	
Bonds paid 1958		$120,000.00
Balance due 1959 - 1960		240,000.00
	$360,000.00	$360,000.00

Sale of Lots & Graves

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 17,910.45	
Collections, 1958	4,147.00	
Interest	620.56	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 4,500.00
Balance, December 31, 1958		18,178.01
	$ 22,678.01	$ 22,678.01

SARAH E. FITCH FUND
(School Department)

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 207.86	
Income received	6.79	
Balance, December 31, 1958		$ 214.65
	$ 214.65	$ 214.65

WYOMING CEMETERY FLOWER FUND
(Cemetery Department)

Income received	$ 111.12	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 111.12
	$ 111.12	$ 111.12

OSCAR F. FROST FUND
(Cemetery Department)
Fund Amount $ 1,184.63

Income received	$ 38.48	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 38.48
	$ 38.48	$ 38.48

ADELAIDE COLBURN MEMORIAL FUND
(School Department)
Fund Amount $ 6,000.00

Income received	$ 195.00	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 195.00
	$ 195.00	$ 195.00

200TH ANNIVERSARY TOWN OF MELROSE

Balance, January 1, 1958	$ 61.98	
Income received	2.00	
Balance, December 31, 1958		$ 63.98
	$ 63.98	$ 63.98

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' MEMORIAL BUILDING
($10,000 Corporate Stock - City of New York)

Dividends received	$ 400.00	
Paid John C. F. Slayton Fund		$ 400.00
	$ 400.00	$ 400.00

MELROSE PUBLIC LIBRARY
MELROSE, MASS.

SARAH E. CHEVER FUND
(Sewall Woods Park)
Fund Amount $ 1,500.00

Income received	$ 48.76	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 48.76
	$ 48.76	$ 48.76

WILLIAM BAILEY LIBRARY FUND
(Melrose Public Library)
Fund Amount $ 2,500.00

Income received	$ 81.26	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 81.26
	$ 81.26	$ 81.26

WILLIAM EMERSON BARRETT FUND
(Melrose Public Library)
Fund Amount $ 75.00

Income received	$ 2.44	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 2.44
	$ 2.44	$ 2.44

HORATIO NELSON PERKINS FUND
(Melrose Public Library)
Fund Amount $ 500.00

Income received	$ 16.26	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 16.26
	$ 16.26	$ 16.26

ANDREW J. BURNETT MEMORIAL FUND
(Welfare Department)
Fund Amount $ 2,000.00

Income received	$ 65.00	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 65.00
	$ 65.00	$ 65.00

COMMUNITY CIVICS FUND
(School Department)
Fund Amount $ 50.00

Income received	$ 1.62	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 1.62
	$ 1.62	$ 1.62

LEVI S. GOULD FUND
(School Department)
Fund Amount $ 1,000.00

Income received	$ 32.50	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 32.50
	$ 32.50	$ 32.50

NORMAN HESSELTINE FUND
(School Department)
Fund Amount $ 100.00

Income received	$ 3.26	
Paid, City of Melrose		$ 3.26
	$ 3.26	$ 3.26

RECEIPTS OF CITY COLLECTOR

TAXES:	1956	Poll	$ 8.00	
		Personal	261.00	
		Real Estate	70.70	$ 339.70
	1957	Poll	24.00	
		Personal	2,069.08	
		Real Estate	58,750.06	60,843.14
	1958	Poll	14,394.00	
		Personal	223,783.40	
		Real Estate	2,915,615.08	3,153,792.48
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:				
	1954		4.54	
	1955		29.35	
	1956		373.50	
	1957		75,215.29	
	1958		370,246.58	445,869.26
APPORTIONED SEWER:				
	1957	(added to taxes)	697.95	
	1958	(added to taxes)	12,804.20	
	1958	(paid in advance)	5,415.86	18,918.01

APPORTIONED SIDEWALK:		
1957 (added to taxes)	$ 38.00	
1958 (added to taxes)	3,342.49	
1958 (paid in advance)	1,829.11	$ 5,209.60
APPORTIONED STREET:		
1957 (added to taxes)	448.05	
1958 (added to taxes)	14,588.67	
1958 (paid in advance)	9,080.19	$ 24,116.91
WATER:		
1957 (added to taxes)	621.66	
1958 (added to taxes)	10,987.56	$ 11,609.22
WATER RATES GENERAL:		$190,051.36
FARM ANIMAL EXCISE:		$ 9.69
COMMITTED INTEREST:		
1957	457.35	
1958	12,574.99	$ 13,032.34
GENERAL INTEREST:		
Taxes	1,786.87	
Motor Vehicle Excise	477.67	
Assessments	37.29	$ 2,301.83
COLLECTOR'S RECEIPTS:		$ 952.05
MUNICIPAL LIEN CERTIFICATES:		$ 1,179.00
BETTERMENT RELEASES:		$ 16.00
DEPARTMENTAL - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		
Cemetery P.C. Bequests:		$ 16.00
Estate of Deceased Persons:		$ 1,427.54
Health Department - Tuberculosis:		$ 792.72
Memorial Building - Rental:		$ 3,736.60
Police Department - Ambulance:		$ 2,449.05

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$ 12,182.26	
Disability Assistance Adm.	14,647.33	
General Relief	6,392.72	
Old Age Assistance	212,990.95	$ 246,213.26
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:		
Care of Trees	$ 1,360.92	
City Hall Receipts	117.26	
City Hall Rental	610.00	
Driveway Deposit	291.69	
Highway Repair	124.29	
Hydrant Rental	11,360.00	
Private Sewer	2,628.32	
Public Works Misc.	438.31	
Water Inside Service	1,427.36	$ 18,358.15
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:		
Rental	$ 145.00	
Tuition	8,056.00	$ 8,201.00
VETERAN'S BENEFITS & SERVICE:		$ 13,145.15
		$4,222,580.06

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully subm't the annual report of the Melrose Fire Department for the year 1958.

Organization

The fire department consists of four companies.

Engine Company #1
Engine Company #2 (Quad)
Engine Company #3
Aerial Ladder #1

Personnel

Chief of Department
5-Captains
4-Lieutenants
1-Acting Master Mechanic
43-Privates

Equipment

Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine	Installed 1958
Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine	Installed 1946
Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine (Quad)	Installed 1953
Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine	Installed 1946
Peter - Pirsch Aerial Ladder	Installed 1935
Dodge Rescue Truck	Installed 1956
Ford ½ ton pick - up truck	Installed 1954
Willys Brush fire truck	Installed 1958
Dodge Chief's car	Installed 1957
Boat rescue unit fully equipped	
Mack Service Rescue Truck	Auxiliary
International - 500 gal. pumper & hose wagon	Auxiliary
4-trailer hose wagons	Auxiliary
Trailer lighting plant	Auxiliary
All apparatus fully equipped with emergency and fire fighting tools.	

Hose

Number of feet of 2½ inch hose	9,750
Number of feet of 1½ inch hose	6,100
Number of feet of booster hose	2,300
Number of feet of 2½ inch dump hose	900
Number of feet of 1½ inch dump hose	600
All hose tested at 200 pounds pressure	

Hose Condemned 1958

Number of feet of 2½ inch hose	300
Number of feet of 1½ inch hose	150

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Alarms and Special Calls

Total number of bell alarms	216
Total number of still alarms	98
Total number of emergency calls	179
Total number of false alarms	44
Apparatus called out of the city	38

Apparatus called out of the City

Malden	24
Wakefield	10
Stoneham	3
Saugus	1

Mutual Aid Calls to Melrose

Malden	24
Wakefield	15
Stoneham	7
Medford	1

Inspections

Number of Buildings	677
Number of oil burner	507
Number of tank	134
Number of paint, varnish, etc.	64
Number of liquid gas	12
Number of blasting	108
Number of garage	67
Number of incinerator and burning	121

Permits Granted

Storage of oil	257
Class A inflammables	17
Explosives for blasting	22
Liquid - Bottled gas	6

Extinguishers Refilled

Soda & Acid	178
Foamite	22
Carbon tet.	31

SPECIAL WORK 1958

Auto Accidents	10
Auto Lockouts	35
Auto Fires	20
Awning Fire	2
Boys playing with matches	10
Bomb scare	2
Brush Fire	72
Cat in tree	15
Cat on roof	2
Chimney fire	20
Dump fire	15
Electric heater	1
Electric trouble	17
Factory fire	1
Flooded cellars	5
False alarms	59
Gas leak	15
Gasoline leak	8
Garage fire	2
House fire	27
House lockout	46
Incinerator fire	20
Investigation	22
Ice skating accident	2
Man pinned under auto	1
Mattress fire	2
Motor fire	4
Moved invalid to auto	2
Moved patient to hospital	4
Moved patient at Fitch Home	1
Oil leak	14
Oil burner	43
Oil in street	6
Oven fire	10
Overheated boiler	3
Pole fire	2
Resuscitator & Inhalator	21
Rubbish	39
Refrigerator leak	5
Sprinkler leak	6
Store fire	3
Street bomb	25
T.V. fire	5
Washing machine	14
Water heater	5
Water leak	16
Wires down	22

Equipment Used

Number of feet of 2½ inch hose laid	17,500
Number of feet of 1½ inch hose laid	12,100
Number of feet of ladders raised	2,353
Number of covers used	38
Number of pounds of CO2 used	121
Number of hours lighting plant used	14
Resuscitator - Inhalator used	22
Number of tanks of oxygen used	29
Gas Masks	6
Red cross heart mask	7
Smoke ejector	21
Pounds of oil dry	305
Portable pumps hours used	15
Total pumping hours of apparatus	65
Scott air packs	6
Feet of wire used	1,125
Stretcher	2
Gas indicator	5
Lights	6
Refrigerator dolly	1
Tank kits	6
Door opener	14

Fire Loss Buildings & Contents

Number of Buildings Damaged	48
Value of Buildings	419,000.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,110,100.00
Loss on Buildings	120,870.02
Insurance Paid on Buildings	120,870.02
Value of Contents	220,500.00
Insurance on Contents	250,500.00
Loss on Contents	100,680.00
Insurance Paid on Contents	99,680.00
Total fire loss - Buildings & Contents	$ 222,688.02

Fire Prevention Program

Fire prevention, as always, is well planned and efficiently carried out throughout the year. This year through the combined efforts of the Chamber of Commerce and the Fire Department several ideas were incorporated. The display, during fire prevention week in two store windows, brought home effectively the story of fire prevention. Also on December 31 st., the bonfire of Christmas trees at Ell Pond stressed very emphatically to the several hundreds attending, the need for fire prevention during the festive season. As in the past, lectures and demonstrations of fire prevention were given not only in the schools but also in different fraternal and industrial organizations as well. Fire is a necessary evil but through fire prevention programs many persons can learn to use it and control it.

Civil Defense Program

Civil Defense Auxiliary Fire Department again this year has augmented the regular department during several occasions. The greatest of these was the Veteran of Foriegn Wars holocaust when the men put in over 50 man hours. Many other services were rendered to the citizens of Melrose. Practice has been maintained on rescue operations and use of the resusciatator. Their untiring efforts have given the people of this city a valuable asset. Needless to say, the Auxiliary Fire Dept. has my sincere appreciation and, I am sure, that of the Director of Civil Defense, Mr. Robert Wilson. We both feel justly proud of this organization.

Conclusion

I desire to express my thanks and appreciation to his Honor, the Mayor, to the Honorable Board of Aldermen, and to all other departments for their assistance in all matters pertaining to the Fire Department. To the officers and men of the department who rendered efficient service at all hours of the day and night, I wish to extend my sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

Sidney C. Field

Chief of the Department

REPORT OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen
of the City of Melrose

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the Ordinances, report of the Law Department is herewith.

The very considerable number of petitions for the assessment of damages for the taking of land, and several for the taking of both land and buildings, have been disposed of. All but one of them were successfully negotiated and one was tried to a jury.

There have been an increasing number of claims, several of which have been brought to suit, for injuries alleged to have been sustained by defects in the public ways. Where the existence of an actionable defect had been demonstrated and the degree of injury reasonably established, compromise has been effected. The trial in court of one of these cases resulted in a finding for the defendant City; the imperfection of the way having been ruled to be too insignificant to constitute an actionable defect under the statute.

There have been several claims and some suits against the City for damages alleged to have been sustained to buildings by reason of blasting done by the City. Careful inspection by the personnel of the Public Works Department and the Building Commissioner has enabled this Department successfully to refute many of these claims. The difficulty of determining a causal connection between the blasting and the damage to the structure is sometimes great. Where a fair appraisal of the facts seems to demonstrate such causal connection, and the householder's claim reasonable, settlements have been accomplished. In the absence of such demonstration the claims have been denied.

Again, during 1958, as in prior years, the close cooperation of the Board of Public Welfare with this Department has enabled this Department to refute entirely, or in some cases equitably to compromise, claims and suits by other municipalities against this City for the recovery of disbursements or advances made to or for the aid of persons allegedly domiciled in Melrose.

It has been necessary to bring action against sub-dividers and their bondsmen for failure of the sub-divider to comply with the conditions established by the Planning Board, in connection with that Board's approval of the sub-division plan. Two of these cases are pending.

The matters of opinions requested by the several Departments and of attendance upon meetings and hearings have been routine.

Respectfully submitted, A. Van Alley Thomson

City Solicitor

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL BUILDING TRUSTEES

To His Honor the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Memorial Building herewith submit their Annual Report for the year 1958.

During this year the Memorial Building has had even a higher number of rental commitments than during the previous year of 1957, when it reached its highest peak of all previous years. With the exception of the two summer months of July and August, when repairs and replacements are undertaken, the building has been used continuously, including several crowded weeks of rental. The Trustees feel that the interior of the building is in better condition now than it has been in numerous prior years, in spite of this greater activity in rentals.

Early this year two new members were added to the Board upon the resignation of Louis K. McNally and Robert T. Boynton, namely Errol H. Twitchell and Joseph T. Cefalo. With these new members added, the Board has combined under a unified group to endeavor to improve the building facilities and equipment, along with the repairs and replacements needed during the year.

Exteriorly, there have been several changes, noteworthy the most important was the entire new South Lobby with the new platform, new doors, and new portico. Then numerous repairs to the roof were made to correct several bad leaks, especially in the front and rear roof areas. Also some front and rear masonry pointing was done, especially on the junction of the original building and the additional section of the rear southern area, where a wide crack developed, causing bad leaks in upper as well as lower rooms of this southwest corner. Further, the Public Works Department, upon request of the Trustees, discovered that the drainage of the entire northern roof area, involving several conductors, was completely blocked. Upon complete investigation, it was necessary to open up all conductor entrances leading into the ground pipes, and with a deep trench along the entire length of the north side of the building, these drain pipes were then completely renewed, along with the installation of a proper manhole for further ease in clearing any blockage which may occur in future years. This work will eliminate further seepage of water into the basement section along this north wall.

Interiorly, it was necessary to redecorate both front parlors, adjacent to the Grand Army Hall; namely the G.A.R. Room and the Ladies Parlor, removing a very bad appearance of walls and ceilings. Likewise in the rear southwest corner, the upper

and lower rooms were completely redecorated. There were also some repairs needed in the piping in the boiler room of the heating system, due to a leaky condition.

One of the serious problems during this season, was the carrying out of several requirements of the State Safety Department and which were completed during the early part of the year, thereby enabling us to keep the building open for use by several renters during the months of April, May and June. These engagements had been made by organizations during the late months of the previous year. These items were all located in the basement area, and were all fire-prevention measures following State requirements for all public buildings.

During the summer months, all the floors throughout the building were cleaned, waxed and polished, and they are now in the best condition in the history of the building. The movable seats used in the Auditorium were repaired, especially with respect to the tightening of seat bolts and the replacement of some broken metal parts. These parts were purchased during the year, by ordering from our castings which had been made some years ago, and which prevented the necessity of buying entire new seats for the Auditorium section. These seats, in spite of age, are in fair condition, and the Trustees sincerely hope they will last many future years. Also, during this year, it was possible to repair and improve the function of the chair-shoot into the rear basement area where these movable Auditorium seat-sections are placed in storage when the necessity for same occurs, and this floor space is cleared for some function, as dancing, etc.

Under building improvements and replacements, one new rug was purchased by the Trustees, which replaced a badly worn one, and two large panels in the front doors of the building, which had rotted from age and weather, were removed and replaced, and are now in a fine condition, with heavy varnish finish for weather protection. Sixteen utility seats were purchased, for replacement of those used in the boxes, dressing rooms and occasionally on the stage.

The usual Christmas lighting was displayed on the front of the building, adding much to the beauty of the center during the holiday season from Thanksgiving through the New Year.

Finally, The Trustees wish to state that during next year they plan to continue the masonry pointing, and also some special needed improvements to enable them to protect the interior of the building, to beautify the exterior, and present to the citizens of Melrose a Memorial edifice in a truly beautiful setting, along with its exceptional advantages and civic purpose.

MEMORIAL BUILDING TRUSTEES

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SALARIES & WAGES

Appropriated		$ 7104.04
Expended		7095.32
Balance		$ 8.72

OTHER EXPENSES

Appropriated	$ 5035.00	
Additional Appropriation	2500.00	$ 7535.00
Expended		7052.90
Balance		$ 482.10

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Appropriated	$ 2000.00
Expended	1789.38
Balance	$ 210.62

LOBBY ACCOUNT

Balance from 1957	$ 3800.00
Expended	3601.14
Balance	$ 198.86

Respectfully submitted

TRUSTEES of the MEMORIAL BUILDING

Harold T. Margeson Chairman

REPORT OF THE PARK DEPARTMENT

To His Honor, the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The forth-ninth Annual Report of the Park Department is submitted herewith.

As the work and activities of the Department are so dependent on the weather elements quite an extensive record is kept during the year,as this report indicates.

The Commission feel that progress was continued this year with:-

1. Conant Playground - New Little League diamond,Backstop,Fence and enlarging.
2. Messenger's Meadow -New Softball diamond, Backstop with Canopy.
3. Hesseltine - Playground equipment relocated.
4. Hockey Rink - Relined and relevelled cement blocks.
5. Thomas Lynde Park - New tar walks.
6. Ell Pond Storage Building - Plumbing etc.,
7. Ell Pond Blvd - Land reclaimed and seeded.
8. Replacements -Power Mower - Tractor - Gasoline Pump - Tar Ramps and new Sump Pump.
9. Clubhouse - Refreshment Porch - replaced lintels with steel beams,brick and new steel sash. Ladies' Room - partition and door. Ladies' Locker Room - Lounge. End of Porch - New Pro Shop. Downstairs - New Social room for the golfers.

The above covers just the major projects for the year.

The Park Commissioners take pleasure in expressing their appreciation to Mayor Lawrence W. Lloyd, the Board of Aldermen and Members of the City Government for their help during the past year. To the Superintendent and employees of the Department for their interest in their work.

Respectfully submitted,
For the
Melrose Park Commission

H. W. Poole
Chairman

Mr. Harold W. Poole, Chairman
and Members of the Melrose
Board of Park Commissioners

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit to the Park Commission my Annual Report for the 1958 year.

- 1958 ANNUAL REPORT -

At the start of 1958 snowfall was heavy. And, on April 11th the 19th Northeast storm of the year dumped up to six inches of slushy snow on our area. In between, blizzards tied up all forms of transportation in mid-January and mid-February with a 19.4 inch snowstorm on the 16th of February.

As for the summer, June was three degrees colder than normal - coldest since 1948. In July rain fell on seventeen days.

In September we had 4.62 inches of rain.

The coldest October in eighteen years with an average temperature of 52.6 degrees.

After the 6th of December temperatures were below freezing.

- TOTAL NUMBER OF SPORTS' DAYS -

- SKATING -

Common Playground	30 Days
Conant Playground	19 Days
Ell Pond	11 Days
Ell Pond Rink	34 Days
Lebanon Playground	26 Days
Lincoln Playground	30 Days
Messenger's Meadow Playground	9 Days
Mount Hood - No. 1 Pond	16 Days
Mount Hood - No. 2 Pond	17 Days
Mount Hood - No. 3 Pond	16 Days

- COASTING -

Mount Hood - No. 1 Fairway	19 Days

- SKI TOW -

Afternoons	4 Days
Evenings	12 Days

- PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS -

At Conant Playground work was continued, an area graded, seeded, a Little League diamond laid out, Backstop erected and the fence continued along the brook to the end of the lot line on the Southeast corner. This now gives the children two Little League diamonds and also two Backstops on this Playground.

On the new Ell Pond Tremont Street area that was seeded in the fall of '57, a Little League diamond was laid out, a Backstop and Players' benches erected.

At the Messenger's Meadow Playground, due to an addition on the Roosevelt School, the Tennis Courts had to be dispensed with. A new Softball skin diamond was laid out and a new regular Backstop with Canopy erected.

The above new areas were all very well patronized all during the ball season.

The equipment on the Hesseltine Playground had to be relocated.

The cinder blocks in the Hockey Rink on the Boulevard had to be relined and relevelled with crushed stone to hold the blocks in place before the hockey boards could be assembled for use.

Eight electric light poles were erected on roadway at Ell Pond Park between the tennis courts and the Ell Pond Storage Building. Five 15,000 lumen lights were installed along the Hockey Rink side of road.

The gravel walks were tarred in at the Thomas Lynde Park on Grove Street.

Plumbing and new metal doors were added to the Ell Pond Storage Building. On the East side of the building, the roof was covered with tar and sand and the flashings repaired.

Approximately 80,000 sq. ft. of land between Parkway Ell Pond was reclaimed by grading, etc., before it was seeded late this fall.

A four foot chain link fence was installed along the new rip-rap wall and a tar walk on the East side of this fence was completed.

A tar walk was continued along the length of old fence. The section between the walk and sidewalk filled in and graded. A five foot fence was put along lot line at the store from Main Street to the Pond.

The flagpoles were all given a coat of white paint for Memorial Day.

A new Park 30 inch power mower purchased to replace '43 machine and six (6) new baby swings.

- ATHLETIC FIELD AND FIELD HOUSE -

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Painted Bleachers on the North side of field; a new Jumping Pit with a seventy-five foot runway of cinders; Seats and Ramps that had deteriorated from the weather and wear replaced; increased the height of present Backstop six feet, making it a total of twenty-four feet; flagpole painted; replaced fourteen thermostatic motors and the hydroguard in Field House; during the month of May the Annual Melrose Lions Club Charity Horse Show and Melrose Y.M.C.A. and Churches held a Girls' Softball game and entertainment; a Contest in July by the, "All American Drum & Bugle Corp;" a two-day Carnival in September by the Melrose Firemen's Relief Associates and the High School, Demolay, Y.M.C.A., C.Y.O. as well as many others used the ball fields all season.

- CLUBHOUSE -

Extensive repairs were made on the restaurant side of the building this year as the wood lintels or supports on the building had become impaired to such an extent that they had to be replaced. In order to make this a permanent piece of work, 3,000 Hazelton brick with twelve (12) steel sash, double thick glass (340 lights) set in steel including casement screens; mullion bars and extension jambs, two metal threshold, door jambs, closers and locks were installed during the early summer

In the Ladies' room a wooden partition was built at the entrance to the toilet room forming a hallway with a door.

In the Ladies' Locker room all lockers were removed, the room redecorated and it is now made into a lounge room.

In the East end of the restaurant porch a ten foot partition was constructed and extended to the ceiling, walls covered with Homosote and a three foot seven inch flush-type Dutch door built to form a Pro Shop.

In the original Pro Shop room the linoleum was removed, the concrete floor rough sanded and an asphalt tile floor laid over one-quarter inch plywood, the room redecorated and some furnishings added for a golfers' social room.

A new sump pump was purchased and set up in basement of Clubhouse to take care of surplus water that use to seep through the stone walls.

- MOUNT HOOD -

The summer of 1958 was considered on the whole as rather cold and rainy.

Number of rounds of golf played in 1958 were 53,703 against 47,768 in 1957.

The M.G.A. Tournament was held on the 10th and 11th of July.

Work was completed on relocating third Fairway and new Tee which was open for play on or about the 10th of July for the balance of the Golf Season.

Late in the fall the new Nursery was seeded with bent grasses and eight grass Tees re-sodded using approximately 5,100 square feet of sod.

New tar Ramps:- (1) 15th Green to 16th Tee,(2)16th Green to 17th Tee and (3) 17th Green out to the Tower road.

Approximately 4,800 square feet of sod was used to cover ridge on right hand side of 5th Fairway.

The chain link fence Barrier on the second Fairway collapsed under the weight of heavy snow and high winds. It was replaced by erecting five thirty-five foot lamp poles and replacing the fencing with two and one-half inch fish netting.

The 1947 Golf Tractor was replaced.

A new electric motor with pump was installed in the No. 1 Pump House to replace the present gasoline driven pump which has been in operation since the Golf Course opened. This new set-up will give additional pressure and adequate water supply that is so necessary on the high elevations at Mount Hood.

Some areas in the Park were patched and tarred.

The No. 1 Pump House was rewired for flood lighting No. 1 Pond for automatic timer and night skating.

We were unsuccessful in our efforts to have the No. 1 Pond stocked for fishing. But hope to be more successful next year when we will try again.

- SKI TOW -

The West side of Ski Tow was filled in and graded along the first Fairway, covering the rough and stones the length of the Ski Tow rope, then seeded in.

The Tow was in operation for five evenings and on two afternoons in January. Snow fall being only 5.2 inches with twenty-seven inches of rain.

In February on the 16th day 19.2 inches of snow fell giving excellent conditions for snow sports, the Tow was enjoyed on seven evenings and on two afternoons.

- SOURCE OF REVENUE -

Subscriptions.....	$ 12,437.50
Daily Golf Fees.....	22,818.85
Locker Rentals.....	720.00
Transient Lockers,Soap,Towels..	413.15
Geo.W.RogersM. Hall-Rentals....	2,314.40
Fireplace Permits.....	44.50
Ski Tow and Concessions.....	988.00
Misc, Telephone,Elec,Etc.....	236.74
	$ 39,973.14

- CONCLUSION -

In closing, I wish to publicly and sincerely thank Mayor Lawrence W. Lloyd and the Members of the Park Commission for their support and helpful co-operation during the past year.

To the Members of the Board of Aldermen for their co-operation and heads of the Fire, Police, Public Works Departments, as well as those in my own Department, please accept my sincere thanks for your help and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis J. Meehan
Superintendent of Parks

PARK DEPARTMENT

- FINANCIAL STATEMENT -

General Administration - Salaries & Wages

Appropriation		$ 7,896.76
Appropriation Transfer from,"Mt.Hd.M. Park Receipts"		5,000.00
Appropriations - Recreational Director - From Apr. 1st		3,429.26
		$ 16,326.02
Expenditures:-		
Payrolls	$ 12,843.30	
Payrolls - Recreational Director	3,482.72	
	$ 16,326.02	

General Administration - Other Expenses

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Expenditures:-		
Office Supplies	$ 345.35	
Telephone	269.66	
Printing - Advertising	73.18	
	$ 688.19	
Unexpended Balance	$ 311.81	

All Other Expenses

Appropriation		$ 7,000.00
Refunds		11.12
		$ 7,011.12
Expenditures:-		
Automotive Maintenance	$ 1,075.94	
Automotive Insurance	449.64	
First Aid Supplies	36.66	
Printing - Advertising	65.50	
Loam-Fertilizer-Grass Seed-Etc	431.63	
Playground Maintenance	1,147.28	
Paint-Hardware-Lumber	364.17	
Tools-Repairs	1,054.65	
Electricity	152.21	
Repairs - Buildings	743.20	
Water - Service	188.72	
Fuel-Heat-Service	561.45	
Plants - Seedlings, Etc	214.62	
Sand - Playgrounds	24.50	
Paint - Flagpoles	132.45	
Tar Walks & Repair - Parks	80.00	
	$ 6,722.62	
Unexpended Balance	$ 288.50	

All Other Salaries & Wages

Appropriations		$ 32,200.00
Transferred from "New Equipment"		865.00
		$ 33,065.00
Expenditures:-		
Payrolls	$ 32,661.09	
Unexpended Balance	$ 403.91	

Athletic Field & Field House - Maintenance & Operation

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Expenditures:-		
Tools & Repairs	$ 696.48	
Fuel Oil & Services	918.61	
Janitor & Bldg Supplies	197.76	
Electricity	119.67	
Water - Service	147.46	
Loam-Lime-Fertilizer, Etc	168.50	
Paint Bleachers, Etc	463.27	
Winterize & Connect Plbg. System	152.38	
	$ 2,864.13	
Unexpended Balance	$ 135.87	

Athletic Field & Field House - Salaries & Wages

Appropriation		$ 5,250.00
Expenditures:-		
Payrolls	$ 4,827.09	
Unexpended Balance	$ 422.91	

Athletic Field - Renovate Track

Balance	$ 1,000.00
Same Carried to 1959	

Christmas Lighting

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Expenditures	$ 180.43	
Unexpended Balance	$ 119.57	

Holidays - Labor Vacations

Appropriation		$ 4,385.00
Expenditures	$ 3,787.84	
Unexpended Balance	$ 597.16	

Golf Maintenance & Operation

Appropriations from,"Mt.Hood Memorial Park Receipts"..		$ 36,450.00
Refunds.....		70.93
		$ 36,520.93
Expenditures:-		
Salaries & Wages.....	$ 19,810.12	
Bonds & Insurance.....	48.15	
Printing & Advertising.....	129.65	
Golf Supplies.....	920.97	
Automotive & Insurance.....	664.99	
Tools - Supplies - Repairs.....	466.28	
Fertilizers - Fungicides.....	313.45	
Loam - Sand, Etc.....	296.25	
Laundry - Soap - Towels.....	196.49	
Water - Service.....	17.16	
Equipment Rentals.....	55.14	
Barrier - Second Fairway.....	325.51	
Tar Ramps.....	247.50	
Replace ' 47 Tractor.....	2,150.00	
Replace No. 1 Pump.....	2,790.00	
Electricity.....	2.30	
	$ 28,433.96	
Bal. Revert to,"Mt. Hood M. Park Receipts".	$ 8,086.97	

New Equipment

Appropriation.....		$ 3,155.00
Transferred to ,"All Other Salaries & Wages".....		865.00
		$ 2,290.00
Expenditures:-		
Power Grass Mower.....	$ 495.00	
Backstop - Tremont Street.....	471.00	
Fence - Conant Playground.....	849.00	
Backstop - Conant Playground.....	471.00	
"Ads" - Fences & Backstops.....	3.36	
	$ 2,289.36	
Unexpended Balance.....	$ 0.64	

Out-of-State Travel

Appropriation.....		$ 150.00
Expenditures.....	$ 150.00	

Ski Tow - Maintenance & Operation

Appropriation Transfer from,"Mt.Hd. Memorial Pk. Rcpts"		$ 1,500.00
Refund - Gasoline Tax.....		3.52
		$ 1,503.52
Expenditures:-		
Salaries & Insurance.....	$ 558.67	
Supplies & Repairs.....	43.06	
	$ 601.73	
Bal. Revert to,"Mt.Hood M. Park Receipts"...	$ 901.79	

Operation Recreation Building

Appropriation From,"Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts"... $ 11,205.00

Expenditures:-

Salaries & Wages	$ 5,368.54	
Fuel Oil - Services	832.03	
Printing - Advertising	9.80	
Janitor & Building Supplies	185.05	
Water - Service	60.60	
Electricity	243.81	
Repairs	199.08	
Remodel Ladies L. Room - Lounge	334.62	
Provide - New Pro Shop	155.46	
Repairs - Refreshment Porch	2,556.31	
Social Room - Golfers	215.81	
	$ 10,161.11	
Bal. Revert to,"Mt. Hood M. Park Receipts"	$ 1,043.89	

Tar Roads & Walks - Mount Hood Park

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Expenditures	$ 486.63	
Unexpended Balance	$ 13.37	

Mr. Harold W. Poole, Chairman
and Members of the Melrose
Board of Park Commissioners

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit to the Park Commission my Annual Report for the year 1958.

- 1958 ANNUAL REPORT -

Action by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on March 17, 1958, placed the operation of a tax supported program of recreation under the Park Commission through terminating the service of the Recreation Commission as the operating authority.

At the same time the Park Commission was given authority to employ a full-time Director of Recreation and the position of a part-time director was abolished. My service as full-time Director of Recreation began Apr. 1, after a provisional appointment by your board was approved by the Civil Service Commission.

The budget for the year, previously approved, had been tailored for a program that could be handled by a part-time director; and although it did cover activities on a year-round basis, it did not provide for any substantial expansion.

After three months of the program had been conducted by the part-time director, Charles V. Tousley, and it was completed within the limits of the established budget However, economic administration made possible some new developments. These included:

1. Organization of year-round Indoor Ice Skating Classes.

2. Co-ordination of Pee Wee Football and Bantam Ice Hockey Programs.

3. Sponsorship of the Melrose Community Players - (drama group that had been started by Mr. Tousley.)

- Recreation Activities and Events for 1958 -

1. Boys' Inter-Church Basketball League.
2. Girls' Inter-Church Basketball League.
3. Boys' Pee Wee and Bantam Ice Hockey Leagues.
4. Melrose Hickory Hawks Ski Classes.
5. Adult Indoor Archery Classes.
6. Junior Indoor Archery Classes.
7. Indoor Ice Skating Program and Christmas Party.
8. Melrose Community Players Group.
9. Summer Playground Season (male and female instructor on each of the six playgrounds. These playground instructors are qualified to teach most active and passive games; provide interesting daily programs for all age children. More equipment is being provided to give your youngster a wider variety in his choice of recreation.)
10. Tennis Program of Instruction and Tournament.
11. Summer daily Handcraft Program at Coolidge School.
12. Operation of Buses to and from M.D.C. Pool in Stoneham.
13. Men's Municipal Softball League.
14. Adult and Junior Outdoor Archery Program.
15. Pee Wee and Bantam Contact Football.
16. July 4th and Hallowe'en observance.
17. Doll Carriage, Bicycle, and Costume Parades.

- PROPOSED -

1. Senior citizen group.
2. Bowling League for Juniors:as soon as facilities can be made available.

- STUDY OF PLAYGROUND ATTENDANCE -

Playground	Total Attendance	Daily Average
Common	7117	180.2
Conant	3231	82.8
Hesseltine	3327	85.3
Lebanon	2959	75.8
Lincoln	3682	94.4
Messenger's	3306	87.3

- COMPARATIVE DAILY AVERAGES -

Playground	1955		1956		1957		1958	
Common	1	151.2	1	219.5	1	155.7	1	180.2
Conant	6	54.7	6	53.3	4	81.7	5	82.8
Hesseltine	2	97.5	4	95.5	4	81.7	4	85.3
Lebanon	4	92.3	3	99.4	6	72.0	6	75.8
Lincoln	5	91.6	5	79.3	3	89.2	2	94.4
Messenger's	3	95.3	2	123.5	2	92.3	3	87.3

- HANDCRAFT SHOP ATTENDANCE -

	1957	Daily Average	1958	Daily Average
Handcraft Shop Total	1749	47.2	2232	54.4

- BUSES TO M.D.C. POOL - 1958 -

Daily Average for fifty days ...	450
Total Passengers	22,500
New Tags issued.... 1955	855
New Tags issued,... 1956	752
New Tags issued.... 1957	949
New Tags issued.... 1958	984

- FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1958 -

Salaries & Wages

Appropriated		$7,098.72
Expenditures	$6,908.95	
Balance	189.77	

Other Expense

Appropriated		$2,200.00
* Transferred		345.00
		$2,545.00
Expenditures	$2,497.34	
Balance	47.66	

Celebrations

Appropriated		$ 600.00
Expenditures	$ 598.91	
Balance	1.09	

Buses to Swimming Pool

Appropriated		$2,000.00
Expenditures	$1,655.00	
* Balance	345.00	

Transportation - Director

Appropriated		$ 75.00
Expenditures	$ 74.89	
Balance	.11	

* Due to inclement weather, bus allotment fund not used in its entirety. The balance of $345.00 was transferred to the "Other Expense" account on October 6, 1958 per order#12780.

Melrose is actually getting much more than top value for each dollar of tax money assessed for operation of a recreation program. The per capita cost of our program in 1958, including the Director's salary, was about fifty four cents. This is considerably lower than is being spent for recreation programs in most of the cities and towns in the state comparable to Melrose in size.

However, the number of activities in Melrose program and number of participants compares very favorably with the other municipalities mentioned. What makes this possible is the great public service and financial support that various organizations and many individuals are contributing to recreational activities. Melrose is fortunate in having this fine public spirit focussed on recreation and it is saving the taxpayers several thousands of dollars yearly.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to His Honor, Mayor Lloyd, the Honorable Aldermen, members of the Park Commission, Public Service Departments, and the many interested citizens who give their time and effort in the promotion of recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

Elbert P. Fletcher

Director of Recreation

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

To His Honor, the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Annual Report of the Personnel Board is hereby respectfully submitted.

The year 1958 was the seventh complete year for the Board in its administration of the Salary Plan. At the June meeting, Nicholas P. Flynn and Horace H. Feltham were elected unanimously as Chairman and Clerk respectively. The members of the Board extend their appreciation to Frederick S. Nichols who retired from the Board in May, 1958 for his years of able and conscientious service. Present membership - Nicholas P. Flynn, Chairman, Horace H. Feltham, Clerk, Robert F. Goodspeed and Albert A. Vogt, Jr. There is one vacancy on the Board.

Seventy-six Decisions were made by the members during the year and changes in the Ordinances were sent to the Board of Aldermen for ratification. Since the inception of the Salary Administration Plan in 1951, six hundred and sixty-seven Decisions have been rendered by the Board.

Mr. Vogt represented the Board at both the Annual Seminar of the Massachusetts Municipal Personnel Boards Association and at the Governor's Conference held in June at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. Mr. Vogt and Mrs. Gilbert, Secretary, attended the annual meeting of the Mass. Muncipal Personnel Boards Association held in Framingham in November. At this meeting, Mr. Vogt was appointed to the Legislative Committee of the Association and Mrs. Gilbert was reelected Treasurer.

In February, a 5% across-the-board increase for all employees under the Plan was recommended by the Board, effective April 1st. An annual survey of salaries paid for comparable Melrose jobs was made of surrounding communities. A copy of this survey was submitted to the Board of Aldermen.

The members wish to take this opportunity to thank the Mayor, the Board of Aldermen and others for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Nicholas P. Flynn
Nicholas P. Flynn, Chairman

REPORT OF PINE BANKS PARK

To his Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

As Superintendent of Pine Banks Park I herewith submit the following report for the year 1958.

Pine Banks Park was ulitized by approximately 100,00 people during the year. Parking of the cars on the week-ends created a major problem due to the lack of parking areas in the park. The main avenue was completely lined with cars and every available space was in use. The fire-places and the picnicing areas were in constant demand.

All of the soft-ball and base-ball fields were in use every night and the lighted soft ball field had double-headers most every night until the end of September. Malden and Melrose little leagues used the fields every night. The little league foot-ball teams of Melrose also used the field to play their games on.

There were 3500 plants grown from seed in the greenhouse and the employees of the park transplanted them to the front avenue flower beds. These plants were in bloom all summer making a very colorful and attractive entrance to the park.

There were many outings at the park during the late spring, summer and early fall. Many of the church groups, scouts and family parties used our out-door fireplaces for their picnics. The zoo and the playgrounds were favorite spots for the very young set.

The Boy Scouts used the park for over-night camping out and for their tests for merit badges. Malden and Melrose YMCA had their day camps at the ball fields. The Malden Junior Police had their annual outing at the ball fields, each of the boys was served a box lunch.

The Melrose Campfire Girls had their Arbor Day exercises at the park and several of the girls planted trees as part of the ceremony.

The Melrose National Guard used the park during the spring of the year for their training program. During the year the Malden Fire Department used the park area for schooling and training their men in the use of fire-fighting equipment.

We had many donat ons to the zoo during the past year, many Easter chicken found it's way to the top of the hill to the hen-house, also ducks found a home at the pond. During the year the Department of Natural Resources gave us two baby deer, one just about 3 days old, also we received a pair of white peacocks from the Department. Look Park in Northampton, Mass. donated two young swans to the park. Brown University gave us the foot-ball team's mascot

a brown bear cub, due to the fact we have no facilities for caring for a bear we turned it over to the Zoo at Spot Pond in Stoneham.

At Christmas time the park was a brilliance of color with decorations of close to 2,500 lights. A life size Nativity Scene was set up on the enbankment at the front of the park. A toy village complete with church and stores was also set up. A sheep-pen with live sheep was a big attraction. Santa Claus had his office in the center of the display and he had office hours from 6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. every night and from 2:00 in the afternoon until 8;00 in the evening Sundays starting the 15th of December until the 23rd of the month. Over 8,000 children visted Santa Claus and he gave each of them a lolly-pop.

During the year Pine Banks Park lost two of it's most faithful workers. Mr. Robert Hodgdon who was trustee for more than 35 years and served in the capicity of treasurer for many of those years. Mrs. Isabel Cray who took complete charge of all clerical and office detail.

I wish to thank my Trustees, my employees the Malden and Melrose Police and Fire Departments, all departments in both cities who helped me in any way to make it possible for Pine Banks Park to be a favorite recreational center for all.

Respectfully submitted,
George F. Cray
Superintendent of Pine Banks Park

PINE BANKS PARK

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriations

City of Malden		
Salaries	$11,822.91	
Sundry expenses	3,250.00	
New equipment	700.00	
		$15,772.91
City of Melrose		
Salaries	$11,822.91	
Sundry expenses	3,050.00	
Lighting maintenance	250.00	
Travel	75.00	
New equipment	700.00	
		$15,897.91
Total appropriation for both cities		$31,670.82

Expenditures

City of Malden		
Salaries	$11,437.02	
Sundry expenses	3,020.64	
New equipment	695.00	
		$15,334.66
City of Melrose		
Salaries	$11,398.04	
Sundry expenses	3,016.58	
Lighting maintenance	248.31	
Travel	75.00	
New equipment	695.00	
		$15,432.93
Total expenditures for both cities		$30,767.59
Unexpended balance		
City of Malden	$ 438.25	
City of Melrose	464.98	903.23
Total expenditures and balances		$31,670.82

Dana T. Bartlett
Treas.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We respectfully submit the Annual Report for the year 1958.

It has been an interesting and busy year and we feel that much has been accomplished not only in the immediate functions of the Board but in long range planning. Besides twelve Regular Monthly Meetings we have had eight Special Meetings and many Committee Meetings in order to keep up with the duties under the jurisdiction of this Board.

The Revised Rules and Regulations governing the subdivision of land, after a Public Hearing on March 18th and approved with changes, became effective on July 17th, 1958 and copies were printed. A copy was filed with the Registry of Deeds and the Land Court. The compilation of this material required many hours of work and we believe that we have an adequate guide for applicants who wish to develop land in this City. One of the important changes in these Requirements is that all improvements are to be built at the expense of the developer.

An Urban Renewal and Redevelopment Program under the direction of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen is a real challenge to the residents of this City and the Planning Board members have participated in the conferences held during the year. The Board voted on May 26th, 1958 to endorse this program and the appropriation of $1,000. to prepare a survey and application for submission to the Federal Government. As a Master Plan is an essential part of this program, the Board will take steps to get this plan underway in cooperation with the Board of Authority.

On March 17th, 1958, the Board of Aldermen passed an amendment to the Revised Ordinances directing the Planning Board to make a study of Tax Title Land acquired by the City of Melrose and to transmit to them our recommendations as to the suitability of said land for parks, playgrounds or other municipal use. This study has been started and will give particular attention to the undeveloped areas in the Southeastern part of the City.

In view of long range planning studies, the Board of Aldermen asked the cooperation of the Board in conferring with the Trustees of the Public Library to assist them with a problem of finding added space and adequate facilities to keep pace with the tremendous growth of reader interest and the demand for modern Library services. A report was presented to the Mayor in November.

A great deal of time and thought has been given to subdivisions in progress and those being contemplated, to see that the Rules and Regulations are complied with. In this regard, Mr. Glen S. Weeks, City Engineer of the Public Works Department, has worked closely with the Board and his cooperation and guidance has been much appreciated by the members.

PLANNING BOARD

Public Hearings have been held in the Aldermanic Chamber. On May 26th in regard to the development of Flagg Acres (lying Northeasterly of Swains Pond Avenue), and on August 25th, Martin Street Extension, (lying at the Southerly end of Martin Street), applicants having submitted Definitive Plans for the subdivision of land.

On May 26th, Public Hearings were held on the changing of names of streets - Mountain Avenue (West side) to Pebble Road, and a portion of a certain private way, Mountain Avenue (Northerly to Church Street) to North Mountain Avenue.

A Preliminary Plan of a subdivision in the Mount Hood Terr. area was given tentative approval with conditions that the developer reserve a strip of land fifty feet wide for a future street which would give access to land in the Mill Road area.

We have had 30 plans submitted to the Board "Believed Not to Require Planning Board Approval" approved by authorized members but subject to study and confirmation by the full membership of the Board. The Board has worked consistently to prevent the creation of sub-standard lots. The City Solicitor has been of invaluable assistance to the Board members in discussing problems involving the interpretation of the General Laws.

Members of the Board attended Public Hearings held by the Board of Appeals relative to proposed apartment house locations. A joint meeting was held on October 22nd to discuss a situation that the City is facing because of a trend of building apartment houses in suburban areas. The Board of Appeal members felt that many of these appeals that came before them should be subject to the guidance of our Board as they had an important bearing on future long range planning for the City.

In cooperating with the Department of Commerce, the Board proposed that the City be divided into seven census tracts to correspond with our present seven wards and that each ward be divided into Enumeration Districts such that one or more make up a precinct.

The members of the Board are deeply grived over the untimely death of Ronald H. Winde, our Chairman for the past two years. We shall miss him very much and his passing has been a great loss to us personally and to the City that he has served so well.

Two new members have been appointed to the Board - Mr. Robert S. Clark to fill the unexpired term of Ronald H. Winde and Mrs. Carole J. Geiger to fill the unexpired term of Miss Lillian V. Macdonald, resigned. Due to the tremendous amount of detail work involving research, preparing reports and other data pertaining to the proper functions of the Planning Board, we have employed Miss Macdonald.

At the Regular Meeting of October 27th, Jay J. Martin, Jr., was elected Chairman and Mrs. Carole J. Geiger, Clerk. At the Regular Meeting on December 22nd, Mr. Paul H. Messer, a member of the Board for the past two years, was elected Chairman to succeed Jay J. Martin who left the Board to become the Chairman of the newly-organized Melrose Redevelopment Authority. Dr. Kenneth L. Maclachlan was elected Vice-Chairman. Other members are Harry M. Brettell, John E. Buddington, Mrs. Merion E. Hartzell and Walter V. Robinson.

PLANNING BOARD

The members of the Planning Board wish to thank all the City Officials for their cooperation during the year in matters pertaining to the duties of this Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul H. Messer

Paul H. Messer, Chairman
Melrose Planning Board

January 13, 1959

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
The Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2-39 of Chapter 2 of the Revised Ordinances, I respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Melrose Police Department for the Year ending December 31, 1958.

Number of duty calls	70,687
Number of telephone calls	6,637
Number of radio calls	2,648
Number of ambulance calls	772

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1958

Offenses against the person:		
Assault and Battery	4 Males	0 Females
Offenses against property:		
Breaking and entering and larceny	7 Males	0 Females
Larceny	27 Males	1 Female
Damage to property	1 Male	0 Female
Using Motor Vehicle without authority	4 Males	2 Females
Leased property, Concealing	2 Males	0 Females
Total	41 Males	3 Females
Offenses against public order:		
City Ordinance Violations	4 Males	0 Females
Drunkenness	35 Males	0 Females
Traffic Violations	113 Males	21 Females
Motor Vehicle Violations	94 Males	10 Females
Operating M.V. under the influence	5 Males	0 Females
Insane	2 Males	7 Females
Violation of Probation	4 Males	0 Females
Stubborn Child	0 Males	1 Female
Non-payment of Wages	1 Male	0 Females
Default Warrant	4 Males	0 Females
Non-support	8 Males	0 Females
Runaway	0 Males	1 Female
Delinquency, Contributing to	1 Male	0 Females
Disorderly Conduct	6 Males	0 Females
Violation of Parole	1 Male	0 Females
Dog Law Violation	0 Males	1 Female
Affray, Engaging in	2 Males	0 Females

Annual Report - Melrose Police Department

Lewdness	2 Males	0 Females
Alien Firearm Law, Violation of	1 Male	0 Females
A.W.O.L. Military	1 Male	0 Females
Indecent Exposure	1 Male	0 Females
Total	285 Males	41 Females

Arrests on Warrants	51
Arrests without Warrants	358
Total	409
Males	365
Females	44
Minors	24
Delinquents	24
Residents	243
Non-residents	166
Insane Males	2
Insane Females	7
In Court	333
Number of Cases	347
Assisted in arrests	40
Accidents reported	456
Ambulance Cases	772
Automobiles stopped and warned	315
Automobiles tagged (1,782 3-Way summonses issued out of 3519)	3519
Buildings found open	201
Cases investigated	2643
Defective streets and sidewalks	6
Defective hydrants and pipes	1
Defective wires	3
Disturbances suppressed	5
Dogs killed	3
Fire alarms attended	160
Fire alarms given	9
Fires extinguished without alarm	8
Lanterns hung in dangerous places	7
Letters delivered	1537
Lost children restored	35
Notices served	1
Sick and injured persons assisted	237
Street lights reported out	39
Street obstructions reported or removed	5
Summonses served	663
Visits to libraries	315
Water leaks reported	5
Traffic duty	16,947
Special Messages	289
Extra Duty	250
Dog Bites	1
Dead Animals	14

Annual Report - Melrose Police Department

Vacant houses inspected	4793
Banks inspected	5965
Autos stolen	8
Autos recovered	26
Amount of property recovered in City	$ 25,524.50
Amount of property stolen in City	12,216.27
Lost property returned to owner	25,420.00
Missing persons reported	4
Missing persons located	4

I wish to commend the members of this Department for their co-operation and loyalty in maintaining the efficiency of the Department.

I further wish to commend the Auxiliary Police for their co-operation and loyalty in the past year in sacrificing their time to the extent of 319 assignments totaling 1,671 man hours by 45 members of the Auxiliary, and in doing so assisted this Department in many assignments through-out the year, and the Auxiliary Radio Unit.

At this time I wish to express my appreciation to his Honor the Mayor and to the Honorable Board of Aldermen and to all other Departments for their assistance and co-operation with this Department.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. MacWilliams

George D. MacWilliams
Captain-in-Charge
Melrose Police Department

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

for the

Year ending December 31, 1958

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Howard B. Wilder, Chairman

William L. Carney

Edwin W. Lundquist

Elisabeth M. Perkins

Elinor H. Tibbetts

Ernest F. Perkins, Jr.

THE LIBRARY STAFF

Helen Anderson, Librarian

Barbara G. Mason, Assistant Librarian

Caro F. Nims, Children's Librarian (Jan. 1 - July 6)

E. Claire Friedberg, Children's Librarian (Oct. 1 - Dec. 31)

Margaret M. Lorenz, Cataloger

Rhoda M. Parmenter, Circulation Librarian

Genieve R. Hanks, Highlands Branch Librarian

Audrey C. Bergmann, Reference Librarian

Ann R. Love, General Assistant (Desk - Jan.)

Melba L. Belleau, General Assistant (Desk - Feb. - Dec.)

Ruth B. Zarella, General Assistant (Catalog Dept.)

Helen Harmen, General Assistant (Desk and Office)

Frances B. Hjerpe, General Assistant (Children's Dept.)

Elizabeth B. Smith, General Assistant (Part-time)

Fanny B. Arnold, Assistant, East Side Branch

M. Pearl Rawding, Assistant, Ward 7 Branch

Jean P. Sewell, Assistant, Wyoming Branch

Edwin W. Allen, Building Custodian

PUBLIC LIBRARY

February 16, 1959

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Public Library submit their annual report for 1958.

The accompanying Librarian and Staff reports indicate continued growth in the services offered to, and the use of the Library by, the citizens of Melrose. In view of existing space limitations, such growth is a tribute to the resourcefulness and enthusiasm of the Librarian and the Staff.

Three developments during 1958 deserve special comment:

1. Both the Library and the children of the city sustained a grievous loss in the sudden death of Mrs. Caro Nims, Children's Librarian. During her twenty-five years of devoted service, Mrs. Nims advanced the children's program into one of the most flourishing services of the Library.

2. The Trustees have been encouraged by the response to their request for expansion and modernization of the Library's physical facilities. During the past year the Planning Board has given generously of its time and thought in evaluating the Library's present and future needs and in studying the means best calculated to meet these needs. In our complex and rapidly changing world, when new frontiers of knowledge are being established in many fields, the Library faces a special obligation to its readers, both youthful and adult. It is the Trustees' hope that steps for expansion can be implemented in the immediate future, so that the Library will be better able to meet this challenge.

3. During the year 1958 the initial plans for an enlarged art collection made possible by the Gendrot Fund for the "purchase of art publications, engravings, pictures, paintings, and other art objects", have become a reality. In the coming years this branch of the Melrose Library's services promises to become preeminent among the public libraries of Massachusetts.

The Board of Trustees are grateful for the continuing interest of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, as well as the efforts of the Librarian and the Staff in maintaining good service to the people of Melrose.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard B. Wilder

Chairman
Board of Trustees

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

A Memorial Tribute to Caro Nims
Children's Librarian for Twenty-five Years
December, 1932 - July, 1958

To bring child and book together was one of the aims of Mrs. Caro Nims' life. She loved both children and their books. Many a smile have we seen, many a chuckle have we heard as she read with humorous sympathy the story of some little boy or girl, cat or dog, horse or tugboat. Only through this inborn sympathy with the story characters could Mrs. Nims have shared her love of books with the young people of Melrose.

How this sharing, together with the wholehearted cooperation of Miss Remon and her teaching staff in the schools, has borne fruit, may be indicated by a brief comparison of figures for the past ten years:

In all Melrose	In 1948	In 1958
Children with cards	2,516	4,608
Children's books borrowed	48,783	105,673
Children's books bought	1,459 *	1,202
Children's books owned	11,189	20,393

*For a few years we were buying a basic group of books to loan to school rooms of the second, third and fourth grades.Also, because of rising prices, we are now spending more for fewer books.

From a room with scant book space,in 1948, the Children's Department was moved.to the basement. What seemed adequate then is now, in 1958, so crowded with both books and children that, in a rush hour, there is scarcely standing room. Mrs. Nims was eagerly looking forward to the time when the children of Melrose would have a library that would be adequate for their needs.

A Memorial to Mrs. Caro Nims has been presented to the Children's Room by a group of Children's Librarians from twelve neighboring cities and towns. It is the beautiful four-volume set of The Illustrated Library of Natural Science, sponsored by the American Museum of Natural History.

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Interim

During the difficult vacation month of July,with the Reading Club in full progress, Virginia Lewis,our senior page, was given the supervision of the children's desk work. She and our two other experienced pages, Judith Noren and Elaine Schofield, deserve much credit for rising so efficiently to the responsibilities.

Mrs.Frances Hjerpe,first assistant in the department has shown an admirable grasp of and ability to pass on to others, the many details of the routines. Her success with children is also noteworthy.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith is to be commended for so adequately handling the children's cataloging work and the school deposits.

New Children's Librarian

In October, Mrs. E. Claire Friedberg became the new Children's Librarian. Her preparation includes normal school training, teaching, study at Columbia, and child psychology under Adler in Germany. She has been connected for years with a small town library as a Trustee. Above all she, too, has a love for and an understanding of children, together with a broad knowledge of books and authors and experience in story telling.

Items in Brief - 1958

Classrooms were visited by Mrs. Nims from January to June.

The Summer Reading Club had 121 children who completed the required reading and therefore could attend the party held for them in September. The Unitarian Church kindly provided a room. Certificates and prizes were awarded and Rev. John Snook organized the games.

During Book Week, many new books were on display in the Children's Room - evenings as well as regular hours. There was close cooperation also with the schools during National Library Week.

Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts,Brownies and Campfire Girls have made special use of the library.

Much interest was shown in the library display of books suggested on the television program on WGBH, Channel 2, shown in the Melrose Schools for third-grade viewers. The sponsor was the Eastern Massachusetts Council for School Television.

An intermediate room is very much needed for seventh and eighth grade children. Adjacent to the children's room is a small space used for storage of older books. Plans are being made to clear that room and move the older boys' and girls' books and a table or two into that space.

PLANNING PROGRESS ON BUILDING ADDITION

During 1958 the Library Trustees have continued their consideration of plans for enlarging the building. In April, August and September, members of the Melrose Planning Board met with the Library Trustees. After study of the needs and possibilities, the Planning Board gave the Mayor a recommendation favoring an addition and the hiring of a library consultant, in 1959. In connection with the enlarging of the library, the Librarian visited the following neighboring libraries where recent additions have been made: Lexington, Milton, Swampscott, Watertown,and a new building at Boston - South End Branch.

ART WORK HAS INCREASED

Books added in the Art field numbered 232, second only to Biographies, which were 256. In 1957, 171 were added in Art. More books create more interest. In addition to the new shelves on the second floor, a remodelled shelf in the Browsing Room houses the new Art books. Patrons now enjoy the many beautiful colored plates and are really using the books. In 1958, 438 more were borrowed than in the year before. Surprisingly, about 900 more were taken out from the Arts than from the Social Sciences.

Mr. Ture Bengtz not only has been chairman of a committee of seven interested citizens who make recommendations for purchases, but he has also designed a book plate to be used in books purchased from the Gendrot Fund income. Committee members included Mrs. Miriam B. Kaplan, Mrs. Abbott B. Foster, Mrs. William H. Griffin, Mrs. Herbert W. Holden, Mrs. Eaton H. Perkins, and Mr. John M. Hogan, all representatives either of the schools, or of community groups.

CATALOG DEPARTMENT 1958

Mrs. Lorenz reports an increase of 365 volumes cataloged and prepared for circulation in 1958, over the previous year. The art books bought with the Gendrot Fund income have accounted for part of the increase. An art book inventory necessitated rearranging the books in the Livermore room to make space for new acquisitions.

A large number of old and useless books were discarded, bringing to the catalogers the task of recording the withdrawals and pulling catalog cards. Discarding the old Smithsonian Reports necessitated pulling approximately 5,000 cards. The total adult books withdrawn for the year numbered 1,714.

A new edition of the Dewey Decimal Classification in October, 1958, caused the cataloger to begin a study of the relocation needs of parts of the library's book collection.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT AND WORK WITH YOUNG ADULTS

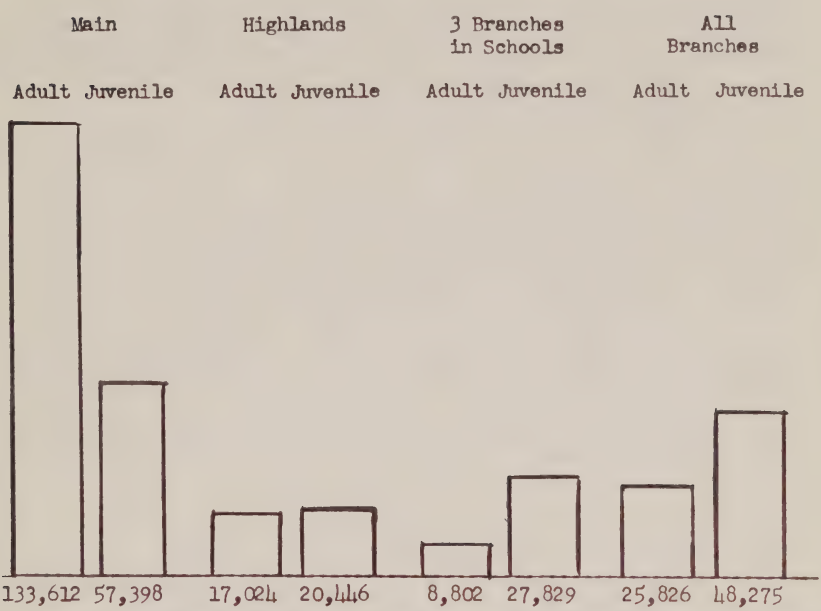
In 1958, 120 books were added to our reference collection to keep it up-to-date.

Approximately 300 books were added to the collection for Young Adults. About 50 of these titles were for High School book reports. The others were added to increase recreational reading for the Young People. Special emphasis has been placed on educational needs such as College Catalogs, Study Guides, and Career materials. There is much interest in the shelf for Young Moderns - how to adjust and live happily in our changing society. Sport books are a close second. Many adult books have been included for young people who enjoy more sophisticated reading.

Eighth-grade classes from the schools came to the library in the spring for an introduction to the reference tools that they would be using when they reached High School in September.

There has been close cooperation with High School teachers. Assignments have been checked, and there has been an effort to make the library book report collection more fully cover the revised lists in use.

1958 DISTRIBUTION OF BOOK CIRCULATION IN MELROSE



The total book circulation, as reported by Miss Parmenter, was 265,111. From figures shown above, about 72% of the books go from the Main Library, approximately 14% go from Highlands, and approximately 14% go from all other branches. As would be expected, children in the branches in schools borrow many more books than adults. Children have also gone ahead of adults at Highlands by over 3,000. In the whole city the juvenile circulation of books is about 22% which is about normal.

Adults at the Main Library borrowed as follows: Biography, 8,632; Literature, 6,651; Applied Science, 5,943; Fine Arts, 5,804; History, 5,674; Social Sciences, 4,945; and Travel, 4,758. Periodicals continued high with 12,331.

Mrs. Melba Belleau, first assistant in the Circulation Department, joined the staff in February, 1958 to take the position vacated by Mrs. Ann Love who went to the Malden Public Library.

New borrowers number 904 adult, and 765 children, totaling 1,669. Total registered borrowers number 10,215 adult and 4,608 children. This represents an increase of 460 over withdrawals during 1958.

Shut-ins in Melrose received 565 bundles of books, or 3,937 titles selected for them by Miss Parmenter.

Mrs. George Beck has made weekly visits to the hospital, distributing library books, numbering about 1,062. To replace her previous helper, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. LeRoy Bateman of Sheffield Road has volunteered for the Friday visit.

Through interlibrary loan, we borrowed 11 books and loaned 28.

THE BRANCHES

HIGHLANDS - Mrs. Hanks reports an interesting series of special displays in the branch window spaces. Most notable were those for National Library Week. Seasonal pictures, book jackets and collections are frequently changed to attract the passersby.

In December some bookcases, a table, a desk and the doors were painted, all of which created a generally more cheerful appearance.

Borrowers numbered 114 adults and 148 children, totaling 262. There has been a definite increase in non-resident cards, issued chiefly to families in Stoneham and Wakefield. The total book circulation was 37,470. Highlands branch loaned 206 record albums.

EAST SIDE BRANCH - 1958 was the first complete year the Winthrop School branch on the East Side has been in its new location in the basement. Registration has increased by 107 and the circulation by 817. Mrs. Edmund Arnold, assistant in charge, reports a growing interest in adult books and books on special lists. Requests for books in French have come from primary children who are taking the new French course.

WARD 7 and WYOMING report the number of books borrowed as follows:

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
East Side	1,612	11,134	12,746
Ward 7	5,073	9,187	14,260
Wyoming	2,117	7,508	9,625
	8,802	27,829	36,631

New children's books were displayed in all three branches during Book Week.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

National Library Week, March 17 - 22, was celebrated in a truly community fashion. "Wake up and Read" was the slogan.

Under the joint chairmanship of Mrs. Kenneth Norris and Geoffrey Felt, the following citizens of Melrose participated in the observance: Mrs. Paul Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Bragdon, Mrs. Russell Miller, William Underhill, Mrs. Robert Russell, Mrs. Eaton Perkins, Mrs. Howard Wilder, Mrs. William Hartzell, Mrs. Richard Brackett, Griffith Couser, Miss Dorothy Raymond, John Snyder, Jay Campbell, Donald Oliver, George Packard, Herbert Ellis, Edwin Kemp, Mrs. Mary Jackson, John Buddington, Mrs. Samuel Eldridge, Robert Stone, Mrs. Sophie Ritchie; from the schools, which were very cooperative: Harold Rand, Marion Remon, A. Imrie Dixon, William Nicols, Esther Lyman, Mrs. Phyliss Devine, Mrs. Dorothy Rose; James Scenna and Calvin Dow of the Young Artists.

Displays were placed in windows of the following: Jones Store, W.T. Grant, Sugar and Spice Bakery, Ruderman's, Whittemore's, The Pattee Shop, Melrose Trust Co., Melody Ranch, Elin's, Hill's News Store, Melrose Hardware, Matthew Cox Insurance, Greenleaf and Rathburn, Middlesex County National Bank and the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital.

The library staff arranged bulletins,put up displays and generally helped gather materials and books. Letters urging observance of National Library Week went to parents through the schools, and to the heads of 65 organizations.

The Melrose Free Press was generous in publishing appropriate articles written by Mrs. Hanks and others.

MISCELLANY

The Young Artists held another exhibition March 16 - 29.

Among other groups meeting in the library during the year were the League of Women Voters,Campfire Girls,Girl Scouts,Melrose Camera Club, the African Violet Club, and the Wednesday Art Class.

Music from the Council of Churches has been given to the library for the use of choral groups.

The Melrose Savings Bank presented the library a supply of cellophane bags to protect books being borrowed in stormy weather - a very welcome gift.

I would like to pay tribute to the members of our staff for the dependable way they have met extra emergencies as they arose - from taking on added duties because of our sudden loss in July, to the promotion of National Book Week.

This has been a fruitful year. It is a pleasure to thank our Trustees, our Mayor, and our Aldermen for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Anderson

Librarian

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM TRUST FUNDS OF WHICH THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY HAVE THE CUSTODY

	Balance Jan. 1, 1958	Income	Disbursements	Balance Dec. 31, 1958
Sarah A. Chever Fund	$ 816.30	$ 26.73	$	$ 843.03
Stephen C.Deering Fund	522.90	17.11		540.01
Jabez Dyer Fund	1,346.24	44.10		1,390.34
Sarah E. Odlin Fund	2,138.09	67.83	136.32	2,069.60
Lizzie P. Smith Fund	545.04	17.85		562.89
Pierre Gendrot Fund	41,040.00	3,938.68*	1,571.14	43,964.82**
July 21	557.28			
	46,965.85	4,112.30	1,707.46	49,370.69

* This includes $1,864.67 income from December 1, 1957 through December 31, 1958 plus a balance of income of $2,074.01 as of December 1, 1957.
** Principal $41,597.28; Income $2,367.54

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUNDS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE CITY TREASURER

	Balance Jan. 1, 1958	Income	Disbursements	Balance Dec. 31, 1958
William E.Bailey Fund	3,276.02	81.26		3,357.28
William E.Barrett Fund	82.52	2.44		84.96
Horatio N.Perkins Fund	663.26	16.26		679.52
Duplicate Fund	452.11	865.22	966.53	350.80
Fines Account	2,321.85	5,100.78	5,200.00	2,222.63
	6,795.76	6,065.96	6,166.53	6,695.19

CREDITS AND DEBITS FROM APPROPRIATIONS
AND TRANSFERS

	Credits	Debits	Balance Dec. 31, 1958
Salaries and Wages	$ 54,000.00	$ 56,022.27	$ 2.73
Additional Appropriation	2,025.00		
Other Expenses	2,650.00*	2,596.94	53.06
Books and Periodicals	4,000.00	11,864.48	5.56
Dog Tax	2,870.04		
Transfers (Fines)	5,000.00		
Fuel and Light	1,650.00	1,636.88	13.12
Building and Janitor's Supplies	1,312.95	1,232.11	80.84
Rent (Highlands Branch)	1,900.00	1,886.80	13.20
Binding	1,500.00	1,699.49	.51
Transfers (Fines)	200.00		
New Equipment	500.00	650.00	00.00
Transfers (Other Expenses)	150.00		
Out-of-state Travel	150.00	150.00	00.00
Roof Repairs	500.00	57.00	443.00
Lights in Upper Lobby	650.00	415.84	234.16
	79,057.99	78,211.81	846.18

* Of the $2,800.00 appropriation, $150.00 were transferred to New Equipment

LIBRARY STATISTICS ACCORDING TO
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FORM

Name of Library.....Melrose Public Library
City and State.....Melrose, Massachusetts
Name of Librarian.....Helen Anderson
Date of Founding.....1871
Population.....(annual listing - City of Melrose).....29,933
Number of agencies.....Main Library, 1 branch, 3 branches in schools
Number of days open during the year.....294
Hours open each week.....Main Library 63 (10 months); 55 (2 months)
Number of volumes at the beginning of the year.....74,745
Number of volumes added by purchase.....4,475
Number of volumes added by gift.....238
Number of volumes withdrawn.....2,122
Number of volumes at the end of the year.....77,336
Circulation of books.....265,111
Number of registered borrowers.....14,823

To His Honor, The Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits its report for the year ending December, 1958.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. NEELY, CHAIRMAN
Gertrude M. Curtin
John W. Huse
Charles F. Kezer
Carol F. Offenbach

There were very few changes in the Public Assistance program during the year 1958. Legislation was at a minimum but there were some revisions in the medical care plan. Effective November 1, 1958 all payments for nursing home care were once again paid directly to the nursing home and not to the Old Age Assistance recipient.

Although the number of persons receiving Old Age Assistance declined slightly during the year, the amount expended for aid was almost $43,000 more than in 1957. There has been no increase in the basic budget during this period and the added expenditure must be attributed to the cost of medical care. For example, hospital care for Old Age Assistance recipients during 1957 amounted to $20,232.74; in 1958, it was $30,525.82. Also, the number of recipients in nursing homes in January, 1957 was 55; in December, 1958, it was 75 persons, and the Old Age Assistance grant in a nursing home is about $100 per month more than it would be in the recipient's home.

More than half of the applicants who were approved for Old Age Assistance in 1958 were in receipt of Old Age and Survivors Insurance but because of increased need or because they had used up their other resources, they found it necessary to apply for supplementary help.

There were 88 applications for Old Age Assistance during 1958 and 54 of these requests, including 11 transfers from other cities and towns, were approved. Thirty-one applications were denied or withdrawn and three were pending at the end of the year. Sixty-five cases were closed in 1958; - forty-six recipients died, 11 transferred to other cities, six had increased resources, two entered an institution.

The Board considered the same number of applications for Aid to Dependent Children - 16 - as they did in 1957. Fourteen requests were approved; two were denied

or withdrawn. Ten cases were closed in 1958; one recipient transferred to another city, in two cases the father returned to the home, in six cases one or more members of the family became employed, and the remaining case was closed because of the receipt of Old Age and Survivors benefits. The Department has made a vigorous effort to secure support from divorced, separated, or deserting husbands and received the helpful assistance of the Melrose Police Department and the Malden Court in this difficult problem.

There were nine new applications for Disability Assistance and two transfers from other cities. Eight applications were approved, including the two transfers, two were denied; one request was pending on December 31, 1958. Three cases were closed; one because of death, one to employment, one received Old Age and Survivors Benefits. Actually, five recipients of Disability Assistance became eligible for Old Age and Survivors benefits under the new provisions of the Social Security Law but in only one case was the benefit large enough to completely eliminate the need for assistance. The dependent children of disabled persons who receive Social Security benefits are also eligible to receive benefits but this will affect only one case now being aided.

The number of persons aided under General Relief varied from 10 to 19 cases each month with a total of 32 applications approved and 30 cases closed during the year. The General Relief caseload has not reflected any widespread unemployment or the economic recession. Most of the persons aided are mentally or physically limited in their ability to work or are in need of hospital care, fuel, or a month's rent.

The Board expended $4,018.54 from the George Emerson Fund to provide services which could not be supplied by the regular assistance programs. All but $400 of the money expended in 1958 was used to pay for care and training of a severely crippled child at the Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center at Greenfield, New Hampshire and to provide special braces and a wheel chair for him.

The A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund provides an annual income to be used at Christmas and $760 was expended in December, 1958 to provide extra money for Christmas dinners, clothing, and toys for the children.

Mary J. Melville

MARY J. MELVILLE
WELFARE AGENT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1958

RECEIPTS	City Appropriation	Federal Funds	TOTAL
Administration: Salaries and			
Other Expenses	18,659.50	17,117.72	35,777.22
Out of State Travel	125.00		125.00
General Relief	17,500.00		17,500.00
Old Age Assistance	280,000.00	171,203.02	451,203.02
Aid to Dependent Children	24,000.00	20,971.94	44,971.94
Disability Assistance	24,200.00	14,387.48	38,587.48
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	364,484.50	223,680.16 #1	588,164.66

EXPENDITURES	City Funds	Federal Funds	TOTAL
Administration: Salaries and			
Other Expenses	18,602.23	13,013.90	31,616.13
Out of State Travel	110.00		110.00
General Relief	16,050.33		16,050.33
Old Age Assistance	279,955.72	171,067.34	451,023.06
Aid to Dependent Children	22,624.10	18,058.67	40,682.77
Disability Assistance	23,724.76	13,990.13	37,714.89
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	361,067.14	216,130.04 #2	577,197.18

#1 - Includes $4,669.00 balance from 1957

#2 - Unexpended balance $10,967.48
To Estimated Receipts 3,417.36
To Federal Fund - 1959 7,550.12

EXPENDITURES FOR SELECTED YEARS 1945--1958

FEDERAL AND CITY FUNDS COMBINED

	1945	1947	1949	1951	1953	1955	1957	1958
Administration: Salaries and Other Expenses	9,120.30	12,088.27	15,899.92	17,847.89	22,591.04	25,090.93	27,923.50	31,616.13
Out of State Travel					100.00	125.00	125.00	110.00
General Relief	19,882.95	22,943.16	38,990.90	39.998.40	24,848.92	32,476.05	17,674.60	16,050.33
Old Age Assistance	151,375.58	228,337.17	331,151.67	376,116.34	425,044.96	385,328.55	408,084.02	451,023.06
Disability Assistance					23,365.75	33,755.02	38,300.23	37,714.89
Aid to Dependent Children	14,580.28	24,490.04	32,585.89	30,771.39	29,293.03	27,005.95	30,599.30	40,682.77
Totals:	194,595.11	287,858.64	418,628.38	464,834.02	525,268.70	503,780.50	522,706.65	577,197.18

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES AND REIMBURSEMENTS FOR 1958

	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	%	AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	%	DISABILITY ASSISTANCE	%	GENERAL RELIEF	%	ADMINISTRATION	%	TOTAL RELIEF AND ADMINISTRATION	%
TOTAL:	451,023.06	100.0	40,682.77	100.0	37,714.89	100.0	16,050.33	100.0	31,726.13	100.0	577,197.18	100.0
FEDERAL	171,067.34	37.9	18,058.67	44.4	13,990.13	37.1			13,013.90	41.1	216,130.04	37.5
STATE	207,549.68	46.1	12,182.26	30.0	14,311.10	38.0	4,533.43	28.0	578.84	1.8	239,155.31	41.4
RECOVERIES AND OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS *	6,419.34	1.4	*		124.99	.3	1,859.29	12.0	*		8,403.62	1.4
MELROSE	65,986.70	14.6	10,441.84	25.6	9,288.67	24.6	9,657.61	60.0	18,133.39	57.1	113,508.21	19.7

Notes: * This item chiefly reimbursements from other cities and towns where recipients have legal settlement.

Settlement law does not apply to Aid to Dependent Children and Disability Assistance.

ASSISTANCE CASELOAD AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1958

Month	Old Age Assistance	Amount	Disability Assistance	Amount	Aid to Dependent Children	Amount	General Relief	Amount
January	378	39,289.88	27	2,912.00	25	2,774.41	8	532.60
February	371	36,444.94	27	2,464.72	24	3,028.37	11	625.98
March	365	36,821.74	28	2,680.37	26	3,941.61	13	611.42
April	364	38,222.90	28	2,048.70	26	3,413.00	14	1,184.73
May	362	35,079.60	30	3,247.82	28	3,865.97	15	2,490.42
June	366	37,994.61	29	3,070.79	28	3,406.01	15	1,193.84
July	365	36,888.51	30	4,677.69	26	3,105.95	12	768.48
August	361	37,030.21	30	2,439.55	26	3,010.26	10	563.45
September	359	37,268.13	30	2,948.29	25	3,552.15	15	863.45
October	360	39,360.45	30	3,197.70	26	3,658.84	14	1,616.41
November	359	31,706.82	30	3,081.08	25	3,689.65	13	1,221.45
December	361	36,732.32	31	3,263.98	24	3,429.53	14	1,113.00

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To His Honor the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City Of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the following report of the Public Works Department for the year of 1958.

The divisions of the Public Works Department are:
Engineering, Edwin H. King - Engineer in charge,
Highway, John B. Simonds - Asst. Supt. in charge,
Sewer, Walter Jones - Asst. Supt. in charge,
Water, Walter Olson - Asst. Supt. in charge,
Mechanical, Burton J. Shaughnessy - General Foreman.

The activities of these divisions are more or less independent of each other, except in the case of the Engineering and Mechanical Divisions.

ENGINEERING DIVISION

This division, by the very nature of its work, is geared to help and serve every part of the entire department. In the past I have listed the various divisions and departments in the Public Works and the City as a whole that receive service from the Engineering Division and since this is true of every year I will not go into it again this year. It is sufficient to say that without the aid of the Engineers most of the addition and improvement work in the Public Works Department would not be undertaken or carried to completion.

The Engineering Division consists of the directing head, a three man field party, and one office engineer.

SEWER AND DRAIN DIVISION

The sewer and drain division followed the department trend in 1958, nothing psectacular to contend with, just a year of solid progress.

The extensions to both the sewer and drainage systems made in 1958 were both necessary and vital to the City's welfare. Our extensions, especially in the drainage system, are limited by the amount of money we have to work with. The following tables show the location and extent of the additions of both systems.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SEWER DIVISION

SEWER CONSTRUCTION 1958

Street or Location	From	To	Lin. Ft.	Size of Pipe	No. of Manholes
Cochrane Street	Boardman Ave.	Arlington R.	250	8"	1
Arlington Road	Cochrane St.	Easterly	100	8"	1
Cottage Street	Crescent Ave.	Via Rt. of Way	295	8"	3
Ellis Farm Lane	Russet Lane	Porter Street	100	8"	1
Brazil Street	Ext.	Malden line	160	6"	1
Quimby Street	Mt. Vernon St.	Boston Rock Rd.	450	8"	4
Boston Rock Road	Quimby Street	Easterly	335	8"	2
			1690		13

Summary

Total miles of sewers laid in 1958 - .32
Total miles in system - 71.01
Total private sewer connections in 1958 - 51
Total number in operation - 7507

New building at City Yard for use of sewer division built by the sewer division personnel.

Built a garage building at the rubbish area except for laying the concrete blocks and the roof surface which was done by contract.

SEWER MAINTENANCE

209 blocks in private sewer connections cleared.
11 private sewer connections dug up and cleared.
2 pumping stations serviced and maintained throughout the year.
27 main sewer blocks cleared.
6.2 miles of sewers cleaned.

SURFACE DRAIN CONSTRUCTION

STREET OR LOCATION	From	To	Lin. Ft.	Size and kind of Pipe Con.	Mhs.	Cbs.
Laurel St.	Waverly Ave.	Highview Ave.	260	12" Reinforced	2	5
Beach & Aaron Sts.	Baldwin Ave.	Aaron St at Brook	353	15" "	4	4
Brazil St.	Washington St.	Westerly	200	12" "	1	3
Wild Oak Lane	Under proposed Street at Brook		80	30" "		2*
Windsor St.	Brook at so. end of street-northerly		750	15" "	4	2
Sucker Brook	Main St.	Westerly	200	42" "	1	1
Windsor St. Brook	Under Street at brook		60	24" Corregated		
W.Foster & Willow						1
			1903		12	18

*Built privately

SURFACE DRAIN MAINTENANCE

1500 Catch basins cleaned - - 26 Catch basins rebuilt

Brooks Cleaned

Crescent Ave Brook	Gould St to Main brook
Spot Pond Brook	Wyoming Station to Malden line
" " "	Whittier St to Stoneham line
Greenwood St Brook	Highland Station to Wakefield line
Sucker Brook	Melrose St to culvert
Messenger Meadow Brook	At railroad track

Miscellaneous Maintenance

Relaid section of drain in Martin Street.
Relaid drain across baseball field at Roosevelt School
Relaid drain in Elmcrest Circle in conjunction with highway construction, also rebuilt one catch basin, built new manhole in this area.
Relaid drain in City Hall parking area.

Miscellaneous Sewer Work

This division had various activities outside the usual sewer and drain work. Such work for other divisions and departments could not be reported under either maintenance or construction. The following is a partial list of the more important projects of this nature. One manhole was built at the Roosevelt School for a service connection; a jungle-gym was errected at the new Gooch School Playground; large section of granolithic sidewalk was relaid on Crescent Avenue; a chain link fence was removed to facilitate operations at the new Roosevelt School Addition; a manhole was built for Pine Banks Park and another was built for the Water Division to house a meter at the Rubbish Disposal Area, and sewer and drainage manholes and catch basins were raised on the following streets before resurfacing - Winthrop Street, Lincoln Street, Pleasant Street, Willow Street, E. Foster Street, Otis Street and Spear Street. A pond was drained, a section of the old culvert was piped, three new catch basins were built, and a view-obstructing fence was built at the Rubbish Disposal Area. Two basins were built for the Park Department at the Hesseltine Avenue Playground. Pumping the surface water from Hunt Terrace after a heavy rain has now become a routine job.

One item of general maintenance that is considered routine, yet is one of considerable expense is the item of cleaning or clearing catch basins and culvert gratings after heavy storms, also the removal of snow and ice from the basins during the winter months. I mention this one of many such routine items that could never be neglected, still when added to others of a similar nature consume a considerable sum of money throughout the year.

This division does all of the drilling and blasting for all divisions of the Public Works Department, and for any of the other City Departments when they have such a problem.

WATER DIVISION

The Water Division had a very successful year of progress in 1958. Unlike some of the recent years it was not marked by any bad or drastic emergencies, therefore it was able to continue with the extension of the system and with the replacement program without any unusual interruption. The Melrose Water Distribution System is substantially completed, but in this system we have a weakness of about three miles of old worn out cement pipe which must be replaced, as well as several miles of unlined cast iron pipe. Our twelve inch belt from the Parkway at the Saugus line to Larrabee Street on Grove Street needs to be completed before we can feel that our distribution system is reasonably balanced.

MAIN LINE CONSTRUCTION

Cochrane Street	249'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	Boardman Ave. to Arlington Road.
Arlington Road	150'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	Cochrane Street Easterly
Willow Street	200'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	W. Foster St. to Cherry St.
Baldwin Avenue	11'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	Street line Connection
Cottage Street	214'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	Russell Street northerly
Quimby Street	265'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	Mt. Vernon St. to Boston Rock Road.
Boston Rock Road	350'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	Quimby Street Easterly
TOTAL MAINS LAID	1639'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	

MAIN LINE RELAY

			Replacement	
Beach Ave.	285'	8" C.I.C.L. Pipe	6" Iron	Wheeler Ave. to Swains Pond Ave.
Park Street	159'	10" C.I.C.L. "	6" Cement	Lebanon St. to Linwood Ave.
Ashland St.	235'	8" C.I.C.L. "	4" Cement	Franklin St. to W. Highland Ave.
W.Highland Ave.	408'	8" C.I.C.L. "	6" Iron	Ashland St. to Chipman Ave.
E. Foster St.	1370'	10" C.I.C.L. "	6" Cement	Lebanon St. to Larrabee St.
	14'	12" C.I.C.L. "	6" "	Lebanon St. to Larrabee St.
	35'	8" C.I.C.L. "	6" "	Lebanon St. to Larrabee St.
	19'	6" C.I.C.L. "	6" "	Lebanon St. to Larrabee St.
Fairmount St.	477'	8" C.I.C.L. "	6" "	Beach Avenue to #11

Total Mains Relaid	
14'	12" C.I.C.L. Pipe
1529'	10" C.I.C.L. "
1440'	8" C.I.C.L. "
19'	6" C.I.C.L. "
Total 3002'	

ADDITIONAL GATES SET

Howie Court - South of W. Highland Ave.	8" Rensselaer on Hydrant line
Cochrane St. - North of Boardman Ave.	8" " " Main line
Arlington Rd. - East of Cochrane St.	8" " " Main line
Willow St. - North of W. Foster St.	8" Smith on Main line
Beech St. - North of Baldwin Ave.	6" Rensselaer on Main line
Baldwin Ave. - East of Beech St.	8" "
E. Foster St. - West of Gooch St.	6" " on Hydrant line
Gooch St. - North of E. Foster St.	6" " on Main line
Quimby St. - South of Mt. Vernon St.	8" " on Main line
Quimby St. - North of Boston Rock Road	8" " on Main line
Boston Rock Rd. - East of Quimby St.	8" " on Main line
Boston Rock Rd. - East of Quimby St.	6" " on Hydrant line
Ravine Terrace at end	6" " on Hydrant line
Fairmount St. - Opposite #12	6" A.P.Smith on Hydrant line
Ashland St. - North of W. Highland Ave.	8" A.P.Smith on Main line

GATES REPLACED

	Type	Replaces
Beech Ave. East of Swains Pond Ave.	8" Rensselaer	6" Chapmen
Ashland St. North of Franklin St.	8" Kenedy	6" "
Ashland St. South of W. Highland Ave.	8" Rensselaer	6" "
W. Highland Ave. East of Ashland St.	8" Kennedy	6" "
W. Highland Ave. West of Ashland St.	8" "	6" "
E. Foster St. East of Gooch St.	10" Rensselaer	6" "
E. Foster St. West of Gooch St.	10" "	6" "
E. Foster St. West of Gooch St.	6" "	On hydrant
E. Foster St. West of Larrabee St.	10" "	6" Chapman
E. Foster St. East of Gooch St.	6" "	On hydrant
Fairmount St. South of Beech Ave.	8" Crane	6" Chapman
Lincoln St. South of Porter St.	8" A.P.Smith	6" Chapman

GATE MAINTENANCE

1350 water gates tested and inspected. This item of maintenance was performed at night when the use of water was at its lowest point. In this way fewer people are inconvenienced and the work could progress more efficiently.

ADDITIONAL HYDRANTS SET

Howie Court South of W. Highland Ave.	6"	Rensselaer
Ravine Terrace at End	6"	"
E. Foster St. West of Gooch St.	6"	"
Boston Rock Rd. East of Quimby St.	6"	"

HYDRANTS REMOVED AND RESET

	Type	Replaces
Granite Street opposite #24	6" Rensselaer	6" Rensselaer
Green Street at Main Street	6" "	6" Cory
Beach Street at Aaron Street	6" Smith	6" Smith
Crescent Avenue at Russell St.	6" Rensselaer	4" Chapman
Howard Street opposite #250	6" "	6" Rensselaer
E. Foster St. West of Gooch St	6" "	4" Chapman
E. Foster St. East of Gooch St	6" Smith	6" Smith

GENERAL SUMMARY

1639	Linear Feet New Mains Laid
3002	Linear Feet Mains Relaid
2508	Linear Feet New Services Laid
2600	Linear Feet Services Relaid
53	New Services Laid
93	Services in Street Renewed
23	Services in Street Repaired
54	Services on Private Property Renewed
10	Services on Private Property Repaired
82	Services Cleaned
140	Services Turned Off and On - Various reasons
120	Emergency Leaks Investigated
17	Leaks in Main Line Repaired
7539	Water Services
130	Curb and Gate Boxes Reset
14	Additional Gates Set
4	Additional Hydrants Set
571	City Hydrants
7	Private Hydrants
1718	Gates on Mains
16	Gates Repaired
12	Gates Replaced
7	Hydrants Removed and Reset
40	Hydrants Repaired
567	Hydrants Flushed
32	Fire Services - Active 28
68	New Water Meters Set on New Services
4	New Meters Replaced, Old Meters Discarded
26	New Meters Replaced, Meters to be Repaired
102	New Meters Purchased
280	Old Meters Repaired
72	Old Meters Discarded
104	Meters Repaired in Service
375	Special Meter Readings
7508	Meters in Service
14	Services Abandoned

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

HIGHWAY DIVISION

The following tables indicate work done by the Highway Division:

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Street	From	To	Lin. Ft.
Laurel Street	Waverly Avenue	Easterly	552.0
Beach Street	Washington St.	Aaron St.	470.0
Aaron Street	Beach Street	Fellsway East	226.0
Elmcrest Circle	Porter Street	South	395.0
Brazil Street	Washington Street	Malden Line	974.0
		Total	2617.0

With good supervision and equipment if is proving advantageous to build streets without own force.

HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE
Resurfacing under Chap. 718
(Type I) Federal Grant

Street	From	To	Lin. Ft.	Sq. Yds.
Lincoln St.	Porter St.	E. Emerson St.	950.0	2333.0
Linden Road	Porter St.	Lynn Fells Parkway	550.0	1344.0
Myrtle St.	Grove St.	W. Foster St.	730.0	1344.0
Pleasant St.	Gould St.	W. Wyoming Ave.	1600.0	4444.0
Sixth St.	E. Foster St.	Laurel St.	275.0	675.0
W. Highland Ave.	Ashland St.	Chipman Ave.	300.0	722.0
Ashland St.	Franklin St.	W. Highland Ave.	140.0	370.0
Willow St.	Essex St.	W. Foster St.	550.0	1344.0
Winthrop St.	Main St.	Myrtle St.	650.0	1300.0
		Total -	5755.0	13,876.0

This type of resurfacing with 2½" of hot top is making a better and longer-life maintenance.

SAME RESURFACING AS ABOVE-CITY FUNDS
(Highway Repair - Type I)

Street	From	To	Lin. Ft.	Sq. Yds.
Otis Street	Vinton St.	Charles St.	1150.0	2811
Cherry St.	Myrtle St.	Willow St.	300.0	533
E. Foster St.	Lebanon St.	Larrabee St.	1400.0	3422
Spear St.	Hancock St.	Park St.	1800.0	4400
			4650.0	11,166

CONTINUOUS WALKS

Edgestones and grass plots were done by City forces with the surface done by contract.

B/A Order	Street	From	To	Type	Lin. Ft.
12421	Lebanon St.	Naples Rd.	#243	Asphalt	743.0
12341	(Tappan St.	Sanford St.	#42	"	106.0
	(Sanford St.	Tappan St.	#53	"	191.0
12420	Burrell St.	#38	#48	"	189.0
				Total	1229.0

INDIVIDUAL WALKS

This work done by contract:-

Street	Type	Lin. Ft.
38 Gould Street	Asphalt	65.0
68 Granite Street	"	44.0
21 Mystic Avenue	"	100.0
38 Granite Street	"	50.0
25 Gould Street	"	37.0
29 Gould Street	"	16.0
27 Gould Street	"	16.0
31 Gould Street	"	19.0
13 Emerson Place	"	61.0
76 Granite Street	"	50.0
7 Glen Avenue	"	56.0
72 Washington St.	"	80.0
76 Washington St.	"	60.0
82 Washington St.	"	60.0
102 Sylvan St.	"	70.0
83 Granite St.	"	50.0
11 Glen St.	"	47.0
Main St. at First National Store	Granolithic	257.5

Total of Asphalt Walks - 881.0 Lin. Ft.
Total of Grano. Walks - 257.5 Lin. Ft.

Also the City completed 43 new driveways with its own forces

RUBBISH DISPOSAL

The Highway Division has been using the new rubbish disposal area for a little over a year with great success. Last Spring ground conditions were not the best, but after the drainage had been improved and a pattern for future development agreed upon an appearance of general progress could be observed. We are now well into our second year and the wisdom of acquiring this area, when we did, becomes more and more apparent. One more needed improvement was accomplished in the erection of a concrete block building that can be used for storage, for garaging, and more important, for the protection of the men working at the dump.

FORESTRY

Dutch Elm Disease is the number one enemy of this section of the Highway Division. Spraying for prevention, sampling to determine infection, trimming out to keep disease from potential vulnerable areas and the removal of infected trees, occupies a good part of their time. However, since there is other important work for these men, we have found it expedient to remove many trees by contract. Last year we removed 106 trees this way and the City forces removed 54.

In addition to the work on Dutch Elm Disease these men cleared the area that is to be used for the new High School addition,

cleared the Parking Area extension in back of City Hall, removed a number of trees regarded as hazards from out highways, and took care of miscellaneous plantings at Ell Pond Park and various other places.

The City planted a total of 160 young trees this year, 52 of which were planted by contract and the balance by the tree crew.

I should like to note at this time our final report from the Laboratory on the samples taken for Dutch Elm Disease in 1958, of the 390 trees sampled, 303 were confirmed as diseased, 76 of these being City trees and 227 privately owned.

ELL POND PARK

More progress was made at Ell Pond Park this past year. A contract was let for shade trees and shrubs, the area between the knoll and the tennis courts was loamed and graded, ready for seed, the dike from the Bath House (Utility Building) to the Legion Bungalow was extended to the half-way point, (this project should be completed in 1959) a fence erected and a walk laid along the Main Street shore of the Pond.

MECHANICAL DIVISION

The department acquired four new trucks, four new ploughs, a new bucket for the T. D. 14, and a new tractor for the lowbed trailer in 1958. This made a total of 57 self-propelled vehicles and 59 other types of labor saving equipment operated by the Department and serviced by this division.

In addition, they also serviced 5 vehicles owned by the Police Department, 2 Wire Department vehicles, 2 owned by the Building Department, a Welfare Department car, a Cemetery Truck, and one truck and one ranch wagon owned by the School Department.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

The six room addition to the Roosevelt School was completed and turned over to the School Department on August 11th, 1958, (Architect - Valtz and Kimberley Inc., Contractor - Norman Foster).

This addition will accomodate the children formerly in the four room Warren School and provide two additional rooms at the Roosevelt School. This addition provides a separate play area for the Kindergarten and makes a much improved appearance of the School Building from Brunswick Park.

During the early part of this year the definite need for additions to the High School were determined by the School Committee and the State School Building Assistance Commission, and these needs were carefully reviewed by the Mayor and his School Building Advisory Committee, and also by the Board of Aldermen.

After this step had been substantially cleared Valtz and Kimberley Inc., Architects, were engaged and preliminary plans were started. From this point on your City Engineer was working continuously with the Architect, the Mayor and his Committee, the School Committee, the Board of Aldermen, and the State School Building Assistance Commission on the acquisition of land and the development of plans and specifications in an effort to be able to take bids early in 1959 Excavation to floor level of the two proposed wings and the necessary relocation of sewers were started the latter part of December.

INSURANCE

The City became a self-insurer on January 1, 1958 for Workmen's Compensation, and appointed its first Compensation Agent, Charles A. Woodman, Jr., thereby relieving the City Engineer of the responsibility for that phase of the City's insurance problems.

The need for adjusting fire insurance values to adequately protect our co-insurance features brings up the problem of our insuring for "replacement in kind" of certain of our buildings. An analysis of the values to be carried is being planned for early in 1959.

STREET LIGHTING

The improved street lighting on Main Street which was started in 1957, was continued this year from the Malden line to Grove Street, leaving only that portion of Main Street between Grove Street and Emerson Street to be completed in 1959.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CITY OF MELROSE
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASS.

Location	7 miles north of Boston
Population January 1, 1958	29933
Number of Voters	15573
Greatest extent of City, east and west	2.85 miles
Greatest extent of City, north and south	2.44 miles
Valuation of Real Estate	47,485,600
Valuation of Personal Property	3,608,700
Tax Rate per thousand	63.60
Area of City:	
Land	3,079.50 acres
Water	35.50 acres
Length of Public Streets	66.69
Length of Private Streets	9.75
Length of Water Mains	81.25
Length of Sewer Mains	70.70
Range of pressure on mains	23-96 lbs

	(streets)	(parking lots)	(total)
Number of 1000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANOH	1204	2	1206
Number of 1000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	4	-	4
Number of 2500 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANOH	65	10	75
Number of 2500 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	1	-	1
Number of 6000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANOH	26	-	26
Number of 6000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	18	-	18
Number of 10000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	1	-	1
Number of 11000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANUG	2	-	2
Number of 11000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANOH	-	2	2
Number of 15000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANUG	58	3	61
Number of 15000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANOH	4	10	14
Number of 21000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANUG	71	-	71
Number of 21000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANOH	8	-	8

Area of Parks:

Bowden Park	.62
Colby Park	.90
Ell Pond Park	34.41
Horace Mann Park	.60
Lebanon Street Playground	.95
Lincoln School Playground	1.60
Melrose Common	4.40
Messengers Meadow Playground	2.89
Middlesex Fells	170.00
Mount Hood	225.00
Pine Banks	81.80
Sewall Woods Park	9.00
Conant Park	4.80
Wyoming Cemetery	43.50

Elevation, Main Street at City Hall - 61 feet above mean tide.
Elevation, Franklin Square - 85 feet above mean tide.

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In closing this report I would like to express my appreciation to Mayor Lloyd for directing and coordinating the activities of the Public Works Department during my leave of absence the early part of this year, and to the members of the Board of Aldermen for their approval of this leave. I am also grateful to my staff and the members of the department for the manner in which they carried on during my absence.

Glen S. Weeks,
Engineer and Superintendent
Public Works Department

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

January 31, 1959

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The report of the Board of Registrars of Voters for the year 1958 is herewith submitted.

As required by law, the Registrars caused lists to be made of all persons twenty years of age and older found to be residing in Melrose on January 1, 1958. The number so listed was as follows:-

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2	5-1	5-2
1,176	1,247	1,730	1,721	1,182	1,215	1,210	1,551	1,371	1,691

6-1	6-2	7-1	7-2	7-3	TOTAL
1,263	1,206	1,072	1,303	846	19,784

Concurrently with the annual listing a determination of the total population of Melrose was made as of January 1, 1958, as follows:-

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2	5-1	5-2
1,798	1,915	2,607	2,505	1,763	1,866	1,671	2,366	2,048	2,539

6-1	6-2	7-1	7-2	7-3	TOTAL
1,899	1,826	1,692	2,077	1,361	29,933

Lists containing the names of all male persons twenty years of age and older found by the Registrars to be residing in Melrose on January 1, 1958, to the number indicated below, were transmitted to the Assessors, as required by law:-

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2	5-1	5-2
520	547	795	774	541	550	494	712	623	782

6-1	6-2	7-1	7-2	7-3	TOTAL
566	559	502	618	401	8,984

Questionnaires were sent to 200 female persons and to 300 male persons for the purpose of determining their qualifications for jury service. From the replies to these questionnaires received 125 female persons and 227 male persons, making a total of 352, were found to be qualified and their names were included in the jury list.

The names of 156 enrolled voters of the Democratic party and 133 enrolled voters of the Republican party were determined by the Registrars to be those of persons qualified for service as election officers, and a list containing the names of such persons was transmitted to His Honor, the Mayor, as required by law.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Applications for registration for voting were received during regular business hours, except for the periods preceding the state primaries and state election when registration was required by law to cease, and at fourteen special evening sessions. During the year the names of 983 persons were added to the general and current annual registers of voters.

The names of 1,047 persons found to be no longer qualified to vote by reason of removal from the city, death or other causes were stricken from the register of voters.

The number of persons whose names were included in the current annual register of voters as of December 31, 1958, was:-

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2	5-1	5-2
1,007	1,000	1,470	1,403	984	949	937	1,334	1,108	1,252

6-1	6-2	7-1	7-2	7-3	TOTAL
956	1,014	881	1,105	624	16,024

In addition, 12 residents of Melrose serving in the armed forces, or spouses or dependents of persons so serving, were qualified, either on direct application or on application of their kindred, for voting by absent voting ballot at the state election, making the total of duly registered and qualified voters as of December 31, 1958, 16,036.

Signatures appearing on nomination papers of candidates to be voted for at the state primaries were certified as being those of duly registered and qualified voters of the city of Melrose, signed in the manner prescribed by law, to the number of 1,184.

Names of additional signers of initiative petitions for an act providing for the annual adjustment of pensions and retirement allowances payable to persons engaged in gainful occupations after retirement for disability were certified as being those of duly registered voters of the city of Melrose, signed in the manner prescribed by law, to the number of 176.

The names of 198 persons making application for absent voting ballots for the state election, including 49 persons serving in the armed forces, or spouses or dependents of persons so serving, from whom, or in whose behalf, applications were received, were certified as being those of duly registered or qualified voters of the city of Melrose.

The total number of sessions held by the Registrars of Voters during the year 1958 was 35.

The sum of $540.00 was received for 540 copies of the Street Lists, at $1.00 each, sold during the year.

The service of Fergus W. Griffin as a member of the Board of Registrars of Voters for 15 years was terminated by his death on April 8, 1958. On October 1st, Charles E. Holt retired after serving as a member of the Board for 34 years. John F. Flynn and Paul H. Provandie, 2nd, were appointed by His Honor, the Mayor, as their successors.

Edward J. Murphy, Chairman

John F. Flynn

Paul H. Provandie, 2nd

Raymond H. Greenlaw, Clerk

BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

REPORT OF THE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Retirement Board of the Contributory Retirement System of the City of Melrose respectfully submits its 22nd Annual Report covering the transactions of the System for the year ended December 31, 1958.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur M. Goddard Chairman

Robert L. Hutchinson

Wally Jones Secretary

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM
CITY OF MELROSE

Statement of Income and Disbursements
for the year ended December 31, 1958

Amount of Ledger Assets Dec. 31, 1957			$703,083.43
	INCOME		
From Members:			
Regular contributions			
Group A	$39,583.92		
Group B	18,294.35	57,878.27	
Voluntary additional contributions,			
Group A	1,247.65	1,247.65	
Late entry payments	87.67	87.67	
Transfer of members' accts. from other systems,			
Group A	2,357.00	2,357.00	
From employer:			
Contributions to Pension Fund	51,975.00		
Contribution for expenses	1,750.00	53,725.00	
Pension reimbursements from other systems	839.42	839.42	
From interest:			
-Gross interest on bonds and dividends on stocks, less 460.01 accrued int. on bonds acquired during the year	19,085.33		
-Gross interest on coop. shares	4,279.10		
-Gross interest on deposits in trust companies and banks	650.00	24,014.43	
Accrued interest on bonds Dec. 31, 1958		5,163.36	
Gross increase by adjustment of Ledger Assets;			
Bonds by amortization,	149.36		
Stocks per schedule 2	18,026.70	18,176.06	
Total Income			$163,488.86
TOTAL AVAILABLE RECEIPTS			$866,572.29

DISBURSEMENTS			
Amount brought forward			$866,572.29
Annuity payments:			
Regular		3,784.24	
Ordinary and accidental disability		682.70	
Additional on account of voluntary contributions		211.44	
Annuity payments to beneficiaries of deceased annuitants under opt. (c) and (d)		872.40	
Pension payments:			
Option (a)	5,266.90		
Option (b)	30,373.89	35,640.79	
Survivorship payments:			
Option (c)	1,373.28		
Option (d)	4,105.44	5,478.72	
Disability pension payments:			
ordinary	1,258.44		
Accidental	16,847.52	18,105.96	
Pension reimbursements paid to other systems		93.56	
Refunds:			
Withdrawals from annuity savings Fund:			
Deaths	7,005.63		
All others	6,321.61	13,327.24	
Transfer of Members' accounts to other systems		910.07	
Administrative expenses:			
Salaries	1,000.00		
Medical fees	70.00		
Printing & Stationery	57.82		
Postage, telephone, etc.	16.24		
Furniture & Fixtures	111.50		
Legal expense	50.00		
Travel, Association dues	135.50		
Safe dep. box, premium on bond	67.50		
Miscellaneous	47.08	1,555.64	
Loans paid		14,971.67	
Accrued interest on bonds Dec. 31, 1957		4,775.81	
Gross loss on sale or maturity of ledger assets, bonds,		196.00	
Gross decrease by adjustment, of ledger assets,			
bonds by amortization,	288.41		
Stocks per schedule 2	903.50	1,191.91	
Total disbursements			101,798.15
Balance			764,774.14

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1958

ASSETS			LIABILITIES	
Book Value of Bonds	509,176.47		Annuity Savings Fund	527,564.00
Stocks	94,685.00	603,861.47	Annuity Reserve Fund	74,198.57
Book Value of Coop. Shares		130,000.00	Special Fund for Military Service	6,359.74
Deposits in Trust companies and Banks not on interest		5,749.31	Pension Fund	155,556.41
Deposit in Trust companies and Savings Banks on interest		20,000.00	Expense Fund	1,095.42
Accrued interest on bonds		5,163.36		
		$ 764,774.14		$ 764,774.14

SCHEDULE OF BONDS DECEMBER 31, 1958

Government	Due	Percent	Book Value Dec. 31, 1958
U. S. Savings, Series G	Feb.1959	2½	$ 24,000.00
" " " "	Feb.1959	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Jul.1959	"	3,000.00
" " " "	Oct.1959	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Nov.1959	"	4,000.00
" " " "	Feb.1960	"	25,000.00
" " " "	Dec.1960	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Jan.1961	"	3,000.00
" " " "	Oct. 1961	"	5,000.00
" " Treasury	Nov. 1961	"	7,901.69
" " Series G	Sept.1963	"	6,000.00
" " " K	Feb.1967	2.76	10,000.00
Int'l. Bank for Rec. & Dev.	Oct.1971	3⅛	9,847.77
" " " "	Jul.1972	3	9,062.31
" " " " (Reg.)	May 1978	4⅛	9,882.56
" " " "	Jan.1979	4⅛	10,250.00
The Twelve Fed. Land Banks	Sep.1972	3-7/8	5,970.00
	Total Governments		$ 147,914.33

Railroads

Atchison,Topeka & Santa Fe	Oct.1995	4	5,342.33
Chesapeake & Ohio Rwy.	Mar.1992	4½	5,987.84
Chicago, Burlington& Quincy	Aug.1985	3-1/8	4,017.87
Erie Railroad Co. Ser. E	Oct.1964	3¼	5,089.11
Great Northern Rwy.	Jan.2000	3-1/8	6,959.75
" " "	Jan.2010	2-5/8	6,760.75
Lexington & Eastern Rwy.	Apr.1965	5	5,333.43
Louisville & Nashville R.R.	Apr.2003	2-7/8	4,938.35
N.Y.Central & Hudson R.R.	Jul.1997	3½	14,781.55
Northern Pacific Rwy.	Jan.1997	4	9,961.57
Oregon-Washington R.R.&Nav.	Oct.1960	3	5,018.52
Reading CO. R.R.	May 1995	3-1/8	5,005.70
St. Louis San Francisco Rwy.	Jan.1997	4	7,352.93
So. Pacific R.R. Ser. E	Jan.1986	2-7/8	5,080.24
" " " " "	Jan.1996	2-3/4	5,000.00
Texas & Pacific Rwy.	Jun.2000	5	3,274.68
Virginian Rwy. Ser. B	May1995	3	5,286.03
	Total Railroads		$ 105,190.65

SCHEDULE OF BONDS DECEMBER 31, 1958
(continued)

Utilities	Due	Percent	Book Value Dec. 31, 1958
Arkansas Power & Light	Apr.1985	3-3/8	5,065.30
Boston Edison Co.	Apr.1980	2-3/4	5,105.36
" " "	Dec.1970	2-3/4	4,052.93
Central Maine Power Co.	May 1976	2-3/4	5,068.99
Commonwealth Edison	Mar.1987	4¼	4,919.00
Consolidated Edison of N.Y.	Jun.1972	2-3/4	4,900.70
" " "	Jan.1984	3-3/8	5,202.51
Cons.Gas,Elec. Lt. & Power of Baltimore	Jan.1986	2-3/4	5,055.47
Consumers Power Co.	Oct.1987	4-3/4	10,877.38
Detroit Edison Co., Ser.K	Nov.1976	3-3/8	5,208.48
Duquesne Light Co.	Aug.1977	2-3/4	5,065.61
Georgia Power Co.-	Mar.1988	4-1/8	10,093.07
Idaho Power Co.	Nov/1987	4-3/4	10,653.09
Indianapolis Power & Light	Oct.1979	2-7/8	5,162.38
Jersey Central Power & Lt.	Jul.1987	5	5,022.78
Mississippi Pwr& Light	Apr.1988	4-1/8	5,124.44
Mystic Valley Gas CO.	Nov. 1977	6	5,095.93
Northern Indiana Pub. Serv.	Aug.1973	3-1/8	4,068.28
Ohio Power Co.	Oct.1968	3-1/4	5,096.34
Pacific Gas & Elec. Co.	Dec.1985	3-3/8	5,048.67
" " "	Dec.1980	2-7/8	5,194.52
Pennsylvania Elec. Co.	Junel983	4-1/8	5,026.40
Pub. Serv. Co. of N. H.	Jan.1973	3-1/4	5,247.38
Pub.Serv. Elec.& Gas Co.	May1980	2-3/4	5,064.71
So. Calif. Edison Co.	Feb.1976	2-7/8	4,929.89
" " " "	Sep.1965	3	5,067.29
West Penn Power Co.	Jan.1966	3¼	5,015.43
Wisconsin Pub. Serv. Corp.	Jan.1971	3¼	5,150.67
Wisconsin Power & Lt.Ser.A	Aug.1971	3¼	2,071.19
" " " " A	Aug.1971	3¼	3,106.80
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	Apr.1982	2-3/4	9,813.94
Illinois Bell Tel.	Jan.1981	2-3/4	9,917.91
Mountain States Tel. & Tel.	May 1986	2-5/8	4,987.50
" " " "	Jun.1990	3⅛	9,757.46
N. E. Tel. & Tel.	Mar.1974	3	5,185.52
" " "	Dec.1977	3¼	5,000.00
New Jersey Bell Tel. Co.	Jul.1988	3-1/8	5,232.22
New York Tel.Co. Ser.D	Jul.1982	2-3/4	9,762.49
Northwestern Bell Tel.	Jun.1984	2-3/4	4,685.33
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	Nov.1979	3¼	4,917.94
" " "	Oct.1986	2-7/8	5,160.04
Southern Bell Tel. & Tel.	Jul.1979	3	4,835.94
" " " "	Jul.1987	2-7/8	5,203.69
Southwestern Bell. Tel.	Oct.1985	2-3/4	9,850.52
TOTAL UTILITIES			$ 256,071.49

Total Governments	$147,914.33
Total Railroads	105,190.65
Total Utilities	256,071.49
	$509,176.47

SCHEDULE OF STOCKS * DECEMBER 31, 1958

	No. of Shares	Market Value Dec. 31, 1958
Bank of America, San Francisco, Cal.	150	6,300.00
The Chase Manhattan Bank of New York	100	5,900.00
Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, " "	100	6,100.00
First Nat'l. Bank of Boston, Mass.	216	18,360.00
First Nat'l. City Bank of New York	100	7,700.00
Guaranty Trust Co. of New York	120	11,400.00
Manufacturers Trust Co, New York	100	5,500.00
Merchants Nat'l. Bank of Boston	100	4,600.00
" " " " " (stock div.)	16	736.00
Middlesex County Nat'l. Bank, Everett, Mass.	118	5,369.00
National Shawmut Bank of Boston, Mass.	120	6,240.00
New England Trust Co. Boston, Mass.	100	4,000.00
Newton-Waltham Bank & Trust Co., Newton, Mass.	50	2,150.00
New York Trust Co., N. Y.	50	4,600.00
Second Bank- State St. Trust Co. Boston, Mass.	45	3,510.00
Security Trust Co., Lynn, Mass.	37	2,220.00
Total Stocks		$ 94,685.00

SCHEDULE OF COOPERATIVE BANK SHARES

	No. of Shares	Book Value Dec. 31, 1958
Beverly Cooperative Bank, Beverly, Mass.	10	2,000.00
Cape Cod Coop. Bank, Yarmouthport, Mass.	50	10,000.00
Concord Coop. Bank, Concord, Mass.	80	16,000.00
Hyannis Coop. Bank,	10	2,000.00
Malden Coop. Bank	10	2,000.00
" " "	10	2,000.00
" " "	10	2,000.00
" " "	30	6,000.00
" " "	20	4,000.00
Mattapan Coop. Bank	10	2,000.00
" " "	10	2,000.00
Meeting House Hill Coop. Bank	10	2,000.00
" " " " "	20	4,000.00
Melrose Coop. Bank	10	2,000.00
" " "	20	4,000.00
" " "	20	4,000.00
" " "	30	6000 .00
Merchants Coop. Bank	20	4,000.00
Middleborough Coop. Bank	10	2,000.00
Saugus Coop. Bank	80	16,000.00
Stoneham Coop, Bank	10	2,000.00
Wakefield Coop. Bank	80	16,000.00
Waverly Coop. Bank	80	16,000.00
Wellesly Coop. Bank (matured)	10	2,000.00
Total Cooperative Bank Shares		$ 130,000.00

MEMBERS RETIRED IN YEAR 1958

Name	Former Position	Date Retired
John Gilmartin	Laborer	3/31/58
John E. Grover	Laborer	6/27/58
Baptiste Bucci	Laborer	6/30/58
Georgia M. Flagg	Secretary	8/29/58
Charles G. Lindberg	Custodian	10/10/58

RETIRED MEMBERS AS OF DEC.31, 1958

Arthur A. Hayden	Board of Health	12/19/38
Ralph Hallahan	Truck Driver	10/20/40
Arthur H. Bright	Janitor	10/8/42
Bertha C. Lapham	Clerk	6/5/44
Fred C. Fellows	Call Fireman	4/1/46
Philip C. Cassell	Laborer	5/3/46
George H.Cray	Superintendent	6/1/46
Eugene F. McCarthy	Foreman	4/3/46
Arthur J. Burke	Laborer	1/22/47
Paul V. De Franco	Patrolman	5/5/47
Lillian B. Warren	Clerk	3/31/48
John E. Grace	Laborer	6/30/48
Ethel M. Hewson	Secretary	10/1/48
M. Eileen Dunlay	Clerk	9/15/48
George K. Lyons	Patrolman	9/25/48
Mary E. Ayers	Librarian	9/1/49
Michael Fahey	Laborer	7/31/50
Emily N. Osgood	Clerk	12/1/50
Elsie M. Ashmead	School Nurse	1/1/51
Julia A. Sullivan, Ben. of Julian T. Sullivan	Working Foreman	2/21/51
Clifton E. Bain	Fireman	11/8/51
Charles E. Van Riper	Senior Custodian	11/28/51
Fred C. Solberg	Laborer	2/29/52
Margaret M. Welch	Clerk	5/31/52
Harvey L. McGilley	Laborer	6/2/52
Paul W. Watson	Fireman	9/30/52
Janette K. Graham	Bookkeeper	2/6/53
Mary E. Donovan, Ben. of Edward J. Donovan	City Auditor	6/30/53
Astrid J. Abrahmson	Cafeteria Helper	7/14/53
Harry P. Lord	Laborer	1/9/54
Martin J. Armstrong	Working Foreman	2/27/54
Robert B. Toomey	Firefighter	4/3/54
Harry Leary	Laborer	4/9/54
William Damory	Tree Foreman	5/7/54
Wesley H. Murray	Sealer of W. & M.	5/31/54
James R. Findlay	Foreman	9/15/54
Genevieve C. Walden, Ben. of Henry C. Walden	Lineman	10/1/54
Helen Coye, Ben. of Francis L. Coye	Laborer	12/26/54
George A. LeFave	Laborer	4/22/55
Frank Gilmartin	Laborer	10/31/55
Genevieve J. Creeley	Health Nurse	12/31/55
Annie M. McCormack, Ben. of Michael J. McCormack	Laborer	6/30/56
Ruth S. Winship	Asst. Librarian	7/31/56
Catherine Velmure, Ben. of George Velmure	Laborer	9/12/56

RETIRED MEMBERS AS OF DEC. 31, 1958
(Continued)

Name	Former Position	Date Retired
Abina T. Greelish, Ben. of Anthony J. Greelish	Laborer	11/1/56
Michael J. Murphy	Firefighter	11/30/56
Emily E. Sheridan, Ben. of Frank J. Sheridan	Laborer	1/27/57
Malcolm G. Fillmore	Building Commissioner	6/30/57

SCHEDULE OF MEMBERSHIP FOR 1958
ACTIVE MEMBERS

Active Membership December 31, 1957		278
Enrolled during 1958		22
	Total	300
Deduct: ceased by		
Death	4	
Withdrawal	14	
Retired	5	23
		277

INACTIVE MEMBERS

Inactive Membership, December 31, 1957	59
Retirements	5
	64
Deduct:	
Deaths and withdrawals	18
	46
Total Active and Inactive Membership, Dec. 31, 1958	323

Schedule of Investment Earnings During 1958

Gross Interest	$24,014.43
Less: net decrease by amortization	139.05
	23,875.38
Plus net increase in accrued interest	387.55
Total earnings	24,262.93
Total regular interest required to maintain funds of System in accordance with law.	15,199.17
Balance, Surplus,	$ 9,063.76

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

CITY OF MELROSE

Year Ending December 31, 1958

Showing Total Enrollment by Ages and Grades as of October 1, 1958

Age	Spec.	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	PG	Total
4 to 5 yrs.		111														111
5 to 6 yrs.		405	94													499
6 to 7 yrs.		8	321	79												408
7 to 8 yrs.	1		29	342	69											441
8 to 9 yrs.	3		3	33	338	65										442
9 to 10 yrs.	1			4	23	308	84									420
10 to 11 yrs.	3				5	43	327	76								454
11 to 12 yrs.	4				1	7	32	360	88							492
12 to 13 yrs.	2						9	50	297	85						443
13 to 14 yrs.	2						1	5	48	270	90					416
14 to 15 yrs.	4							1	2	42	224	104				377
15 to 16 yrs.	3									8	55	260	112			438
16 to 17 yrs.										2	18	32	208	90		350
17 to 18 yrs.												7	42	174	3	226
18 to 19 yrs.													10	24	2	36
19 to 20 yrs.														2		2
20 to 21 yrs.																0
21 and over																0
Total	23	524	447	458	436	423	453	492	435	407	387	403	372	290	5	5555

Showing Enrollment, Attendance, etc., for the School Year Ending June 30, 1958

1. By Schools

School	No. of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of Boys	No. of Girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
High	1475	728	747	1414.03	1343.34	95.00
Beebe	275	135	140	264.33	241.31	91.29
Coolidge	716	376	340	708.40	661.85	93.42
Franklin	223	117	106	219.77	206.19	93.82
Lincoln	534	307	227	526.51	485.78	92.26
Horace Mann	391	190	201	387.52	354.56	91.59
Ripley	189	100	89	186.55	172.22	92.31
Roosevelt	359	167	192	354.27	334.32	94.36
Warren	145	73	72	141.38	127.68	90.30
Washington	414	222	192	408.62	373.55	91.41
Whittier	114	46	68	114.75	101.33	88.30
Winthrop	654	304	350	647.09	594.77	91.91
	5489	2765	2724	5373.22	4996.90	92.99

2. By Grades

Grade						
Post Graduate	4	4		2.02	1.81	89.60
Senior	286	123	163	273.68	261.26	95.46
Junior	321	146	175	303.75	288.56	94.99
Sophomore	398	214	184	389.03	369.91	95.08
Freshman	466	241	225	445.55	421.80	94.69
Special	22	20	2	21.73	19.47	89.59
Eighth	335	165	170	329.95	312.33	94.65
Seventh	409	213	196	410.24	386.38	94.11
Sixth	436	213	223	435.27	411.39	94.51
Fifth	453	238	215	448.73	423.02	94.27
Fourth	471	248	223	460.80	432.72	93.90
Third	424	206	218	423.90	394.89	93.15
Second	445	243	202	440.21	401.67	91.22
First	493	243	250	477.65	433.38	90.77
Kindergarten	526	248	278	510.71	438.11	85.78
	5489	2765	2724	5373.22	4996.90	92.99

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

School Year	No. of different pupils enrolled in elementary schools exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of different pupils enrolled in High School exclusive of re-enrollment	Average membership in elementary schools	Average membership in High School	Average attendance in elementary schools	Average attendance in High School	No. of graduates from High School	No. of graduates from grammar school
1938-39	2,743	1,522	2,697.30	1,468.37	2,567.96	1,375.61	318	259
1939-40	2,785	1,453	2,732.18	1,429.19	2,612.83	1,363.96	331	286
1940-41	2,702	1,414	2,675.99	1,379.13	2,539.31	1,311.52	302	296
1941-42	2,695	1,392	2,610.29	1,365.20	2,404.33	1,290.64	332	320
1942-43	2,648	1,308	2,569.75	1,249.51	2,371.82	1,168.83	265	335
1943-44	2,546	1,249	2,474.18	1,216.49	2,295.41	1,135.55	288	311
1944-45	2,452	1,220	2,391.13	1,193.39	2,230.73	1,125.37	269	296
1945-46	2,532	1,223	2,447.29	1,175.46	2,287.43	1,106.65	261	325
1946-47	2,486	1,237	2,419.63	1,203.70	2,259.02	1,139.01	265	247
1947-48	2,485	1,159	2,419.45	1,133.40	2,265.17	1,070.04	283	257
1948-49	2,543	1,094	2,515.75	1,073.86	2,345.14	1,021.50	280	277
1949-50	2,646	1,051	2,500.00	1,037.06	2,427.84	983.04	260	294
1950-51	3,095	1,090	3,066.54	1,048.97	2,751.07	1,001.24	216	274
1951-52	3,200	1,078	3,095.24	1,047.14	2,824.01	985.65	233	271
1952-53	3,366	1,076	3,262.25	1,057.97	3,013.04	1,002.65	224	286
1953-54	3,517	1,154	3,473.74	1,147.91	3,216.28	1,089.08	263	292
1954-55	3,687	1,167	3,605.13	1,153.31	3,318.55	1,091.41	264	333
1955-56	3,859	1,236	3,765.19	1,208.45	3,518.72	1,152.52	257	352
1956-57	4,022	1,334	3,925.91	1,289.80	3,651.73	1,222.68	256	384
1957-58	4,014	1,475	3,959.19	1,414.03	3,653.56	1,343.34	273	320

Financial Summary - January 1, 1958 - December 31, 1958

	Requested by School Committee	Appropriated by Board of Aldermen	Plus or Minus Transfers and Credits	Net Appropriations	Expenditures	Balances
Salaries $	1,411,271.00	1,411,271.00		1,411,271.00	1,406,541.07	4,729.93
Other General Expense	12,800.00	12,800.00	- 1,950.00	10,850.00	10,840.36	9.64
Textbooks and Supplies	78,628.00	78,628.00		78,628.00	78,100.16	527.84
Plant Maintenance & Operation	142,510.00	142,510.00	+ 1,725.00	144,235.00	144,050.26	184.74
Support of Athletics	15,639.00	15,639.00	+ 6,950.00	22,589.00	22,462.04	126.96
	1,660,848.00	1,660,848.00	6,725.00	1,667,573.00	1,661,993.89	5,579.11
Special Appropriations						
Adult Education	8,565.00	8,565.00	+ 608.00	9,173.00	8,721.96	451.04
Out of State Travel	450.00	450.00		450.00	301.27	148.73
	9,015.00	9,015.00	608.00	9,623.00	9,023.23	599.77
GRAND TOTAL	1,669,863.00	1,669,863.00	7,333.00	1,677,196.00	1,671,017.12	6,178.88

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Cost per Pupil, Average Membership, Fiscal Year 1958

		High	Elementary
General Control	$	8,245.25	24,735.75
General Control, per pupil		5.86	6.29
Teachers' Salaries		404,442.51	856,799.28
Teachers' Salaries, per pupil		287.45	217.79
Textbooks		6,291.03	12,057.20
Textbooks, per pupil		4.47	3.06
Supplies		23,234.45	36,193.41
Supplies, per pupil		16.51	9.20
Operation of School Plant		37,645.45	131,283.32
Operation of School Plant, per pupil		26.75	33.37
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		11,755.64	47,234.22
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds, per pupil		8.35	12.00
New Furniture and Furnishings		1,341.04	7,527.01
New Furniture and Furnishings, per pupil		.95	1.91
Other Expense		1,757.56	735.01
Other Expense, per pupil		1.24	.18

Tuition - Vocational and Evening Schools	$5,513.07
Transportation	4,340.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

General Statistics

Population of Melrose (Jan. 1, 1958)		29,933
Number of different pupils enrolled, exclusive of re-enrollment, school year 1957 - 1958		5,341
Number in High School		1,407
Number in Elementary Schools		3,934
Total approved bills, 1957 - 1958 (Support)	$	1,599,829.93
Amount expended for High School, exclusive of General Control 1957 - 1958	$	501,626.94
Cost per pupil in High School based upon average membership, 1957 - 1958 (1,407)	$	356.52
Amount expended for Elementary Schools, exclusive of General Control, 1957 - 1958	$	1,098,202.99
Cost per pupil in Elementary Schools, based upon average membership 1957 - 1958 (3,934)	$	279.15
Amount expended for tuition (Vocational Schools)		2,622.68
Number of full-time High School teachers including Principal January 1, 1958		64
Number of full-time Elementary School teachers including Principals January 1, 1958		162

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

DENTAL REPORT OF HEALTH TEACHER

School Year 1957-1958

Number of individual inspections	3,449
Number of notices sent	1,360
Number of home visits	407
Number of visits to Forsyth	23

Treatment at Forsyth Dental Infirmary for Children provided the following services: restoration of diseased teeth, all types of oral x-rays, removal of infected teeth, oral prophylactic treatments and orthodontic consultations.

INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL BUILDINGS
Melrose, Massachusetts

Name	When Built	Valuation
Whittier	1884	$ 36,880
Warren	1892	55,550
Franklin	1896	137,220
Lincoln	1896	365,550
Washington	1896	243,880
Coolidge	1897	609,550
Roosevelt	1924	480,770
Ripley	1924	148,000
Winthrop	1926	403,495
High	1933	1,319,220
Horace Mann	1950	515,057
Beebe	1955	383,200

Respectfully submitted,

Harold T. Rand

Harold T. Rand
Superintendent of Schools

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:

The report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1958 follows:

	Not Sealed	Adjusted	Sealed	Condemned
Scales	0	11	165	0
Weights	0	0	71	0
Gasoline Pumps	0	0	95	0
Grease Meters	0	0	29	0
Yard Sticks	0	0	1	0
Trial Weighings	0	0	73	0

Inspections:
Fibre cartons, fuel meters, food in packages, peddlers and junk licenses — 6

Equipment:
In quantity and value, approximately the same as at the end of 1957

Cost of Department

Salary	$ 1,595.67
Other Expenses	457.93
Total	$ 2,053.60

Receipts of Department

Sealing Fees	$ 230.70
Licenses	10.00
Plates	1.25
	$ 241.95

Respectfully submitted,

Oscar D. Knight

Oscar D. Knight
Sealer

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

To the Honorable Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Department of Veterans' Benefits and Services herewith submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1958:

Cases held over from 1957	37	
New applications	36	
Re-applications	2	
		75
Disposition of applications:		
Terminated by death	8	
Transfer of settlement	1	
Unaided -- need not shown	4	
Temporarily aided and suspended	31	
		44
Cases carried over to 1959		31
Employment was found for 3 applicants		
Photostating for this department and several departments of the city		807
Liens taken on cases	3	
Satisfied 2		
Outstanding 1		
Hospital Cases		15
Permanent recordings of Military Records		
Korean	24	
Peacetime	55	
		79

A Real Estate lien law became effective as of October 22, 1958 whereby an applicant of Veterans' Benefits who is a dependent mother or father of a veteran and who has an interest in real estate of which the fair market value is more than $1,500, shall be eligible under Chapter 115 of the General Laws, provided a lien signed and acknowledged by the Veterans' Agent is taken and recorded against said property. The taking of such liens is in conformity with Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1958 which amends Chapter 115 of the General Laws by inserting a new section after Section 5. A new section entitled 5A provides for the placing of a lien on real property owned by a dependent mother or father of a veteran, applying for or receiv-

ing benefits based on war service of such dependents's son or daughter. It is a condition precedent to the granting of said benefits.

Complete files of Melrose veterans of all wars are maintained in this office and an active file is kept up to date with information received from families of those still in the Armed Forces and from news clippings from the local press.

Hospital expenses increased tremendously in the year 1958 compared with 1957.

1958	1957
$6,643.71	$1,084.19

This is largely due to increased hospital rates and the cases carried have been of long duration.

Services rendered total approximately 250 a month and this included applications for Widow's Pension, Service Connection and Non-Service Connected Disability Pension, Schooling, assistance in filling out V. A. forms, Report of Yearly Earnings from veterans now receiving pension.

On Veterans' Burials, the Government allowance toward veterans' burial expenses has been increased to $250, from its former list of $150, authorized by Public Law 85-674. This is payable for:

1. Veterans of any war or the Korean Conflict; or,

2. Peacetime veterans who were receiving VA compensation at time of death, or who were discharged or retired for disabilities incurred in line of duty. There are a number on our rolls whom we have assisted in this respect.

This department is bound by law to furnish financial assistance to veterans of all wars and legal dependents who qualify under the terms of Chapter 115, General Laws of Massachusetts. The dependents of service men and women who may be in need are also eligible for aid. Under the terms of other laws the department has a mandate to furnish to veterans, their dependents and other kin, such information, advice and assistance as may be necessary to enable them to procure the benefits to which they may be entitled, relative to employment, vocational or other opportunities, hospitalization, medical care, pensions, compensation, insurance and veterans' benefits; have on hand current booklets and other printed matter pertaining to the statutory right of war veterans provided by Federal and State Laws. Close liason must be maintained with the U. S. Veterans Administration, the Departments of the Army, Navy and Air, the Selective Service Boards, the Department of Labor, and other Federal agencies with which veterans and service men come in contact and the various departments of our State government. Close liason is also maintained with the United Spanish War Veterans, World War I Veterans U.S.A., Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and other organizations

of veterans, The American Gold Star Mothers and like organizations and with all groups having an active interest in the welfare of veterans. In this report the services furnished which were not directly connected with granting of financial aid is summarized under the title of Veterans' Services.

H. Leslie Trickey, Agent and Director
Veterans' Benefits and Services

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

To His Honor, the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the following report of the Department of Veterans' Benefits and Services for year ending December 31, 1958:

General Administration
Salaries and Wages

Appropriation		
Budget	$10,034.54	
Order #12696 - Additional	381.14	
Expenditures		
Agent		$ 4,419.96
Clerks		5,950.01
Balance		45.71
	$10,415.68	$10,415.68

General Administration
Other Expenses

Appropriation		
Budget	$ 1,150.00	
Expenditures		
Bills paid		1,139.38
Balance		10.62
	$ 1,150.00	$ 1,150.00

Veterans' Benefits
(One-half of State Approvals to be refunded to City of Melrose)

Appropriation		
Budget	$30,000.00	
Order #12689 - Additional	8,000.00	
Refunds	367.81	
Expenditures		
Cash (Treasurer's Payroll)		$35,744.10
Balance		2,623.71
	$38,367.81	$38,367.81

Veterans' Burials
(One-half of State approvals to be refunded to the City of Melrose)

Appropriation		
Budget	$ 150.00	
Order #12571 - Additional	350.00	
Refund	75.00	
Expenditures		
Bills Paid		$ 400.00
Balance		175.00
	$ 575.00	$ 575.00

H. Leslie Trickey

H. Leslie Trickey, Agent and Director
Veterans' Benefits and Services

REPORT OF THE WIRE DEPARTMENT

To His Honor, the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Wire Department for the year 1958.

During the year a total of fifteen hundred and fifty-nine wire permits were issued by the department with the following breakdown.

Eleven hundred and fifty-nine permits were issued for inspection of new work. On new houses this included arough inspection, service inspection and a final inspection.

One hundred and ninty permits were issued for oil burner andgas heater installations. This included oil burner replacements as well as new ones.

Two hundred and ninety permits were also issued to the Suburban Electric Company to allow current to be turned on in cases of new house construction, increase of services and break-down of services.

On the Fire Alarm System all fire boxes, of which there are one hundred and sixty six, including street boxes, school boxes and boxes on or in business establishments, were tested every sixty days for a total of nine hundred and ninty six tests with an additional one hundred and twenty tests for special reasons such as being pulled for fire or false alarms.

With the installation of four new non-interfering, succession fire boxes the fire alarm system, on the street, has been finally brought up to date. It was anticipated that this would take ten years but was completed in five years by the purchase of additional boxes each year.

In reference to the Police Signal System the new additional work done was to install two traffic police spot lights, one at the corner of W. Wyoming Avenue, and Berwick Street, and one at W. Emerson Street and Tremont Street. Other new work that benefits both Fire and Police Systems is as follows:

Three miles of weatherproof wire was installed on existing cross arms.

One hundred and twenty-five cross arms were renewed due to new pole locations and pole replacements by the Suburban Light Co. and the New England Telephone Co. Also cross arms and wire drops to fire and police boxes were renewed due to age.

In addition to the new work done the normal maintenance to the systems, such as replacement of police red lights, batteries renewed in police boxes, traffic flood lights renewed, etc. was continued through the year.

Stanley A. Riggs

Stanley A. Riggs
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENT

To His Honor, The Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Workmen's Compensation Agent submits, herewith, his first annual report for the year 1958.

On January 1, 1958 the City of Melrose became self-insured with regard to Workmen's Compensation Insurance and the position of Workmen's Compensation Agent was established. However, all benefits to employees remain the same since we are still governed by the Massachusetts Division of Industrial Accidents, as are all insurance companies. We were fortunate to secure from Civil Defense a file cabinet and a typewriter which at present is the extent of our office equipment.

In 1957 the City paid a premium of about $16,000 for Workmen's Compensation Insurance. This year, the Board of Aldermen appropriated $12,000 for Workmen's Compensation and on December 31, 1958 there remained a balance of $6,061.43, after our first year of being self-insured. Also, almost twice as many City Employees are now covered by Workmen's Compensation as were covered when this was handled by an insurance company.

There were a total of 42 cases filed this year which can be broken down as follows: On 11 cases there were no expenses at all, on 19 we paid medical expenses only and the remaining 12 cases received compensation and medical expenses. It was unfortunate, that in 1958 there were two serious back injury cases, on which we are still paying compensation benefits. However, the doctors involved have informed me that both men will soon be able to resume their regular duties.

May I at this time thank the Mayor, Alderman Copeland and the various departments for their cooperation and assistance in helping set up and administer this position.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles A. Woodman

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Workmen's Compensation
Agent

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